

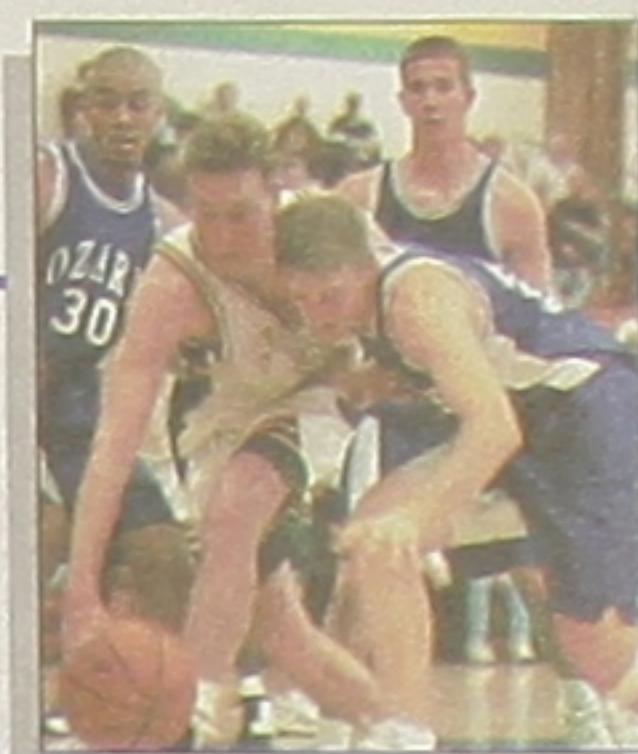


Friday, November 20, 1998

THE CHART

Volume No. 59, Issue No. 11 • Missouri Southern State College, Joplin, Mo. 64801-1595

The Lions burst
into the new
season with a
101-39 win over
Ozark Christian
College....
Sports, Page 12



ACADEMIC POLICIES COMMITTEE

College may lower credit requirements for graduation

By GINNY DUMOND

MANAGING EDITOR

Freshmen entering Missouri Southern next year may be carrying a slightly lighter credit hour requirement for graduation than those currently enrolled at the College.

College President Julio Leon proposed the idea last year of reducing the number of hours needed for graduation from 128 to 124.

"There are many institutions around the country at 120 hours and many at 124," Leon said.

He said the number could be reduced to 120 in the future.

"I believe we could eventually get down to 120 and still offer

quality education," Leon said.

The proposal was approved by the academic policies committee Nov. 9 and will be brought before the Faculty Senate on Dec. 7.

Dr. Erik Bitterbaum, vice president for academic affairs, chairs the academic policies committee and said the reduction in hours would not cut into the core curriculum.

"The only thing that would be sacrificed would be elective credits," he said.

Bitterbaum, who spoke with school deans and department heads before bringing up the proposal, said there were no negative reactions.

"By and large we all agreed that

this made good sense," he said. "We really are on the higher side [of required credit hours]."

If the proposal is approved, it will have several benefits for Southern students, according to Leon, who cited the lower cost for education in that it could reduce the need for many to take a ninth semester.

"It's a tremendous benefit for students without a reduction in the quality or kinds of courses they need to be competitive," he said.

Nicole Hollenberg, the Student Senate representative to the academic policies committee, says she strongly supported the change in their discussion.

"I think if we're thinking of

going to university status we should compare our hours to other universities," she said. "It makes us more competitive."

Hollenberg said some students receiving scholarships would be benefited by the change, and she agreed it would cut back on ninth semester graduations.

"Some students have scholarships which only last for 120 hours," she said.

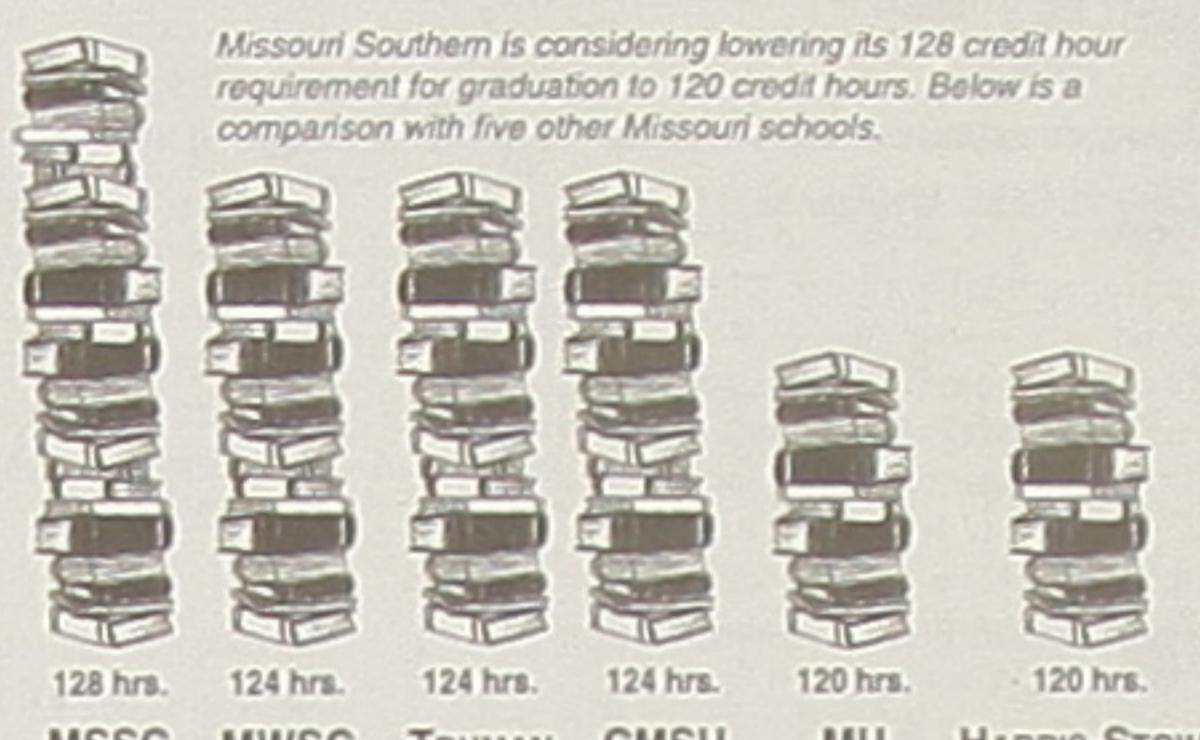
"And many students have their requirements finished, but have to stay an extra semester to finish."

Leon admits the change probably will not make the College significantly more competitive.

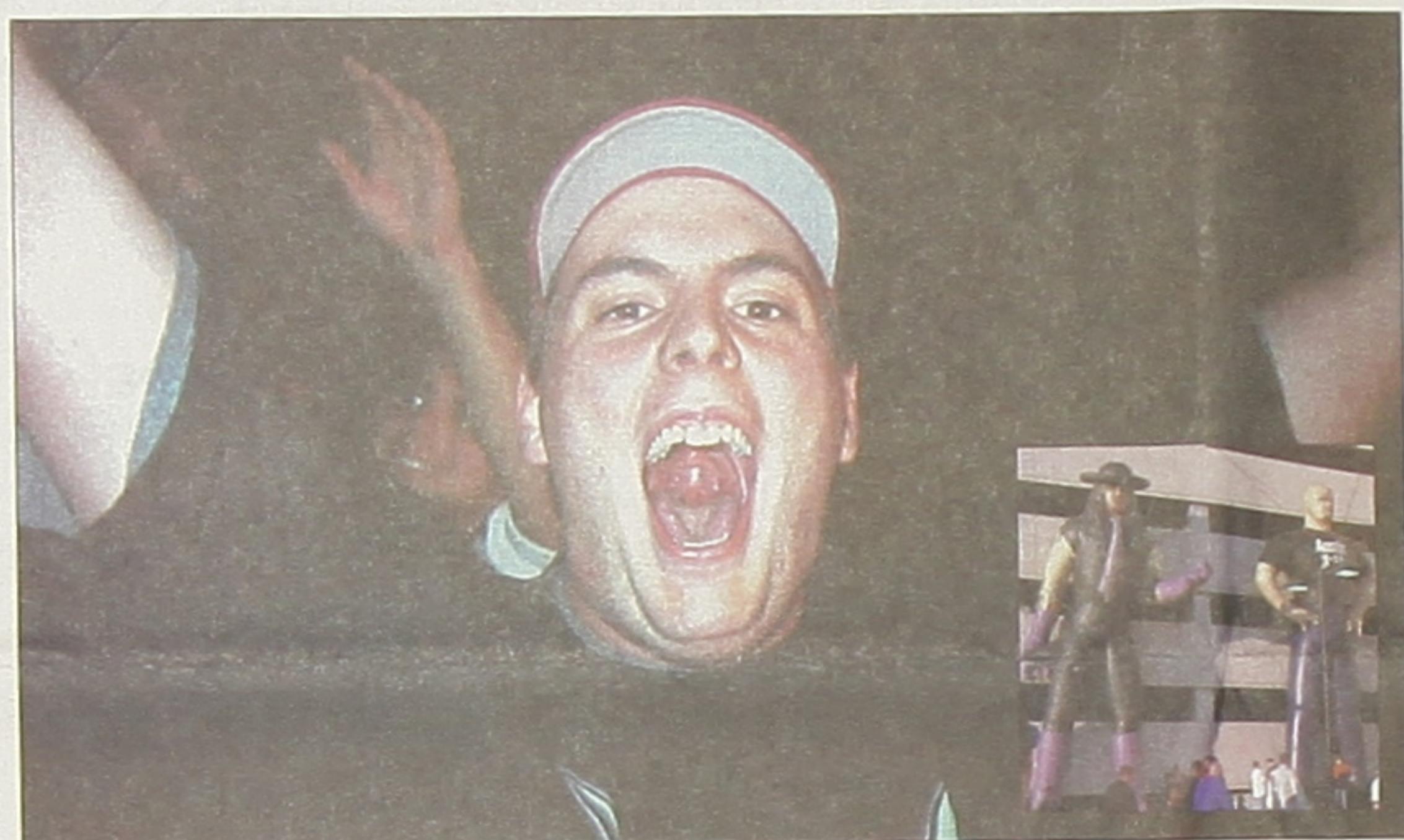
"Still, I believe it is the right thing to do," he said. □

A Heavy Load

Missouri Southern is considering lowering its 128 credit hour requirement for graduation to 120 credit hours. Below is a comparison with five other Missouri schools.



NICK PARKER/The Chart

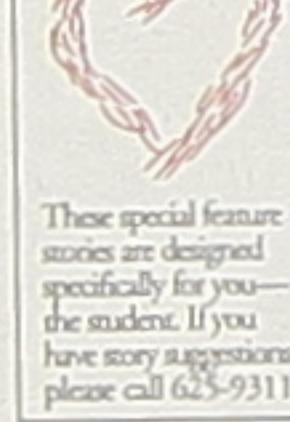


SPECIAL TO THE CHART

Jeremy Bohannon, junior graphic arts major, traveled with three friends to the Kiel Center (lower right corner) in St. Louis, Mo., for the WWF survivor series event. While in St. Louis the group met some of the WWF superstars.

Student LifeBeat

Action keeps fans coming back

By ANDRE SMITH AND JEFF WELLS
OF THE CHART STAFF

These special feature stories are designed specifically for you—the student. If you have story suggestions, please call 625-9311.

Big barbarians breaking bones with body slams and back busters keep wrestling fans glued to the television and scrambling for tickets when events are in the area.

Whether they are watching their favorites of World Championship Wrestling or the World Wrestling Federation, fans are making a gathering of it. Although most catch flack from their girlfriends on a weekly basis, junior history major Dan

Wade and junior graphics major Jeremy Bohannon said watching wrestling is a compromise.

"It is a guy's soap opera," Wade said.

"My girlfriend can watch 'Days of Our Lives,' I can watch 'War Zone,'" Bohannon added.

Sunday night, the WWF Survivor Series took place at the Kiel Center in St. Louis. Several students from Southern attended the event, nicknamed the Deadly Game.

The WWF championship was up for grabs and was

TURN TO WWF, PAGE 11

INTERNATIONAL CRISIS

Police pull Israeli demonstrators off streets

By KIKI COFFMAN
SPECIAL TO THE CHART

HAIIFA, Israel — Amid chants and songs of protest, student demonstrators were pulled out of the streets of a downtown shopping center by Israeli police on Monday.

Once the strikers were out of the streets, they ranted from the sidewalks and waved posters asking for Israel to put education first while more than 20 policemen watched.

"We aren't going to stop," said Revital Meroz, a student protest leader and chemical engineering student at the Technion Institute of Technology. "We must fight for our future and for Israel's future. Our nation depends on the power of our minds."

What is evolving into a social change for Israel

centers around what began as a protest demonstration held last week by 200 students of Israel's Technion Institute of Technology. The demonstration, which began after students voiced disagreement over rising tuition costs, has virtually shut down one of Israel's most prestigious universities.

"All first-year classes [at the Technion] have been closed down by our protest, and students from other colleges and universities throughout Israel have come to Haifa to join us," Menoz said.

While the value of the shekel decreased, tuition costs rose, leaving many students frustrated with the pressure of getting another job and the struggle of finding the time to learn while maintaining as many as three jobs.

"Most of the teachers have joined us because

they agree that the quality of students' learning has gone down as the tuition has grown larger," said Carmel Rot, another protester and Technion student. "Maybe people abroad would see it as a standard college, but it's not. The students are generally people that are more mature and come here to be serious about their studies."

Rot said studying takes precedence at the Technion.

"Every hour of the day when [students of the Technion] are not studying, they are looking for more opportunities to study, and it's hard," Rot said. "It's hard because the system demands that we share our time with work so that we can live and go to school, and this is why we are

TURN TO CRISIS, PAGE 11



KIKI COFFMAN/Special to The Chart

And the award goes to...

A profile of Jennifer Pease, named returning orientation leader of the year...page 6

What's Inside



Index

Southern News	Page 2
Second Front	Page 3
Public Forum	Page 4
A Closer Look	Page 5
Around Campus	Page 6
Arts Showcase	Page 7
Southern Faces	Page 8
Automotive	Page 9
City	Page 10
Sports	Pages 12

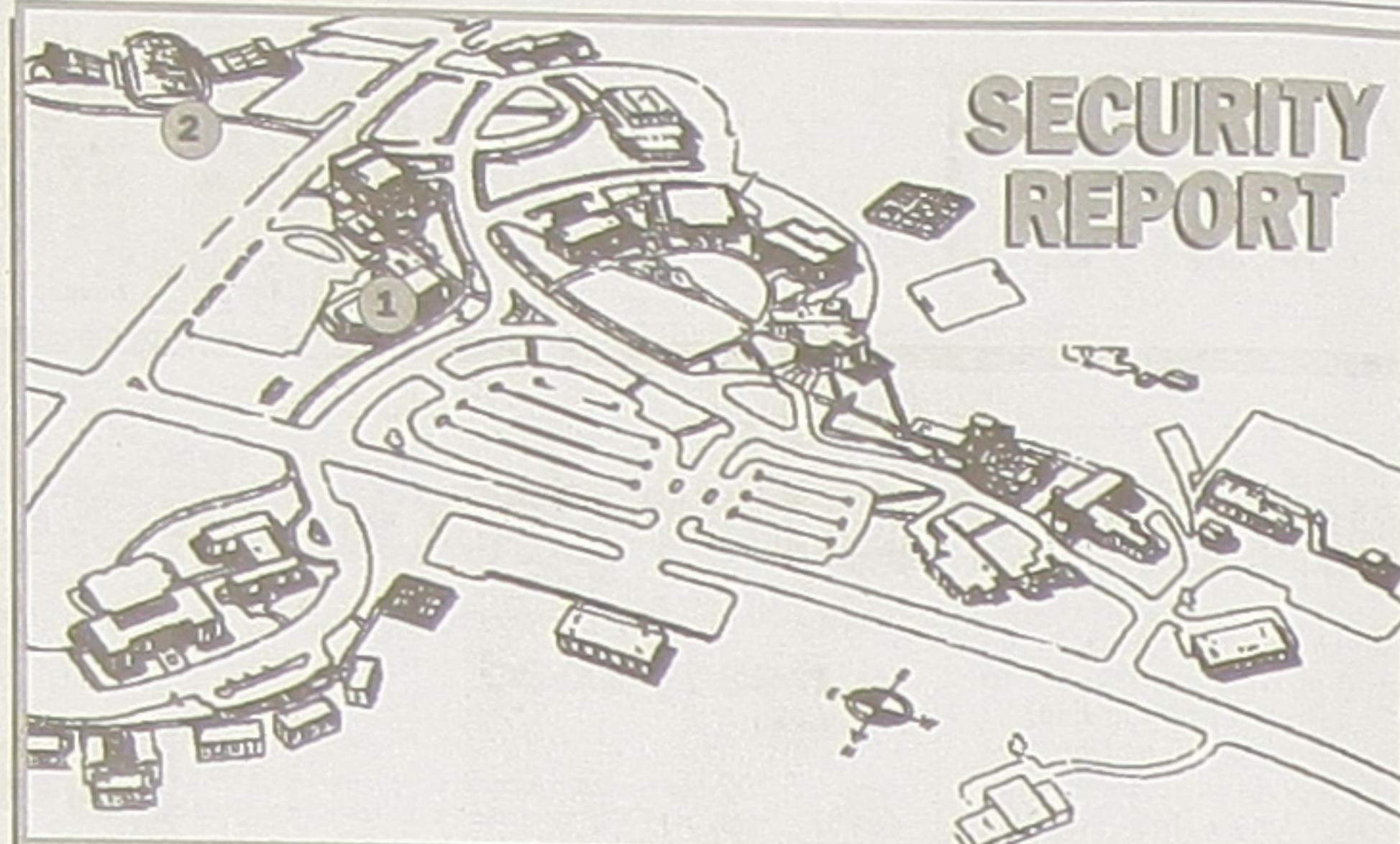
Your source for Missouri Southern news and events



AN INTERACTIVE ONLINE PRODUCTION OF THE CHART

www.mssc.edu/pages/chome.htm

Office: 625-9311 Editor: 625-9790 Advertising: 625-9789 Fax: 625-9742



1 11/16/98 Webster Hall

Dr. Jay Moorman, associate professor of communications, reported damage to a CD Rom drive in Webster Hall Room 303. Moorman advised that he had last checked the computer on Nov. 10. He said the CD Rom drive was not working and some screws were missing. Andy Middleton, from the Computer Center, said no one from there had worked on the computer. The CD Rom was valued at approximately \$200.

2 11/11/98 Fred G. Hughes Stadium

Emil Girton, Stadium custodian, advised that when he left the afternoon of Nov. 10, the Coke cooler in the concession stand was secure. When he checked it the next morning, Girton said he found that the lock had been broken and 20 bottles of Coke products with yellow caps were missing.

Coke advised that none of their people had entered the cooler.

All proceeds of all advertising go to The Chart, the student newspaper of Missouri Southern State College.

Let your opinion be known

Send letters to the editor.

Drop them by Webster Hall, Room 333 or
Send them via e-mail to chart@mailssc.eduLetters must be signed and contain a phone
number for verification purposesADOPTION BY FAMILY
THERAPY OF THE OZARKS

PREGNANT? NEED HELP?
Choose Your Family
Medical Expenses Paid
Pressures Free Counseling
An untimely pregnancy doesn't have to end your choices.
Many women are choosing adoption as a loving solution to an unwanted pregnancy.

ADOPTION
THE OPTION
OF LOVECall 417-882-7700 or
1-888-449-BABY

**Advertise in
The Chart
Call John Smaha at
625-9789**

Bauer continues travelsBy CALE RITTER
EUROPEAN CORRESPONDENT

ANSBACH, Germany — One of the Fachhochschule's professors spent a great part of his life traveling to various parts of the world doing what he loves most — conducting research in linguistics.

After Dr. Eric W. Bauer finished high school at his birthplace in Vienna, Austria, he began teaching and studying at the same time.

"Many students used this approach because it was a tough time in Austria," he said.

Bauer was referring to the recent civil war in the country. It only happened during one year, but "it was very bad. There was a lot of shooting at each other in the streets. It was crazy."

By the tone of his voice and the expression on his face, it was apparent this was a difficult time in his life. And to make the situation more trying, Bauer was drafted the last year of World War II.

Upon returning from the war, he worked as a translator for the American army and also as a teacher/student. Bauer was recommended for two scholarships at

this time. One was the British Counsel Scholarship, in which he studied one semester at Bristol University. The other was through the U.S. State Department, where he studied and taught at DePaul University in Indiana. There he studied law, business, and English.

Bauer finished his master's degree in English there, then studied at the University of Indiana. He studied his last two semesters at the University of Minnesota, and received his Ph.D. in 1966. His degree was in English and German applied linguistics,

"The National Defense Education Act (NDEA) sponsored programs in language and math at Notre Dame," he said. Bauer was an assistant professor at Notre Dame for seven years.

"This was right after Sputnik," he said. "This was part of the reason math and language were implemented. The U.S. felt it had to catch up. That was very interesting and fascinated me very much. I enjoyed that part of my life."

Bauer was the director of this institute at Notre Dame and developed the German-English program there. After this, he went to

Melbourne, Australia, to be the director of the language center at Monash University for the next four years.

"I liked it very much and wanted to stay there," he said. "I had two sons there."

Among his other research projects, Bauer has done work in the Virgin Islands teaching children left behind educationally because of their race. He did projects in Singapore, Thailand, and Hong Kong. He was an adviser at the Concincino Riotinto nickel mining company on the island of Bougainville, off the coast of Papua, New Guinea. He worked with the pigeon English-speaking tribes in a language program.

"I've always enjoyed traveling, other cultures, and languages," Bauer said. "I was lucky enough to travel and combine my hobby with my work."

While working at Notre Dame, he met his wife of 34 years, Brigitte. They wrote three German textbooks together.

They have five children. One is an architect, another is in industry, and the other three are in business.

Although retired, Bauer continues to teach and do his research. He acts as though age doesn't mean a thing.

He continues to work because, "I love and still have the ability to do my job." □

C A B
CAMPUS ACTIVITIES BOARD**Up North:
A Concert of
Post-Modern Dance**

By Leslie Dworkin and Kent De Spain

Monday, November 23

7:30 pm

Taylor Performing Arts Center

"SHOP TIL YOU DROP!!!!"

Cab's annual shopping trip to Branson!

Saturday, Dec. 5th

Leave: 9am, Return: 11pm

\$5, students only!

BSC Box Office, BSC rm 112, Deadline: Dec. 1

"THE BIG THING!!!!"**MOVIES, CONTESTS, PIZZA,
PRIZES!!!****Student Life Center, Dec 10, all evening****OFFICIAL NOMINATION
OUTSTANDING TEACHER AWARD**

Name of Teacher Nominated: _____

Department: _____

Please state the reasons you have nominated this fine teacher. Describe his or her qualities as extensively as you wish. (Use an additional page if necessary.)

(Signature)

If you are a student or member of the Alumni, please identify the class or classes you have taken from this professor.

(Class)

Return to Box 110, Office Services, Hearnes Hall, Room 106, no later than FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1998

ANNOUNCEMENT TO ALL FACULTY, ALUMNI AND STUDENTS

Nomination forms are available for nominating "Outstanding Teacher" for 1998

December 1, 1997 Through December 19, 1997

Location of nomination forms:

Matthew Hall Rooms 223 and 310
Billingsly Student Center Rooms 102 & 211
Reynolds Hall Room 210
Spiva Library Circulation Desk
Hearnes Hall Room 200

Taylor Hall (Ed & Psy) Rooms 232 & 206
Mansion (Learning Center)
Gym Room 212
Kuhn Hall Room 210
Justice Center Room 109

Fine Arts Complex Room 214
Technology Building Room 101
Alumni House
Webster Hall (2nd Floor Social Science &
3rd Floor Comm. Office Complexes)

Friday, November 20, 1998

Page 3

CAMPUS VENDERS

Students remain unsure over price hikeBy ERIC GRUBER
STAFF WRITER

Although Pepsi may be "the choice of a new generation," for Missouri Southern students, Coke is now the choice of a rising inflation.

Every four or five years, Southern receives bids for distributors of vending machine products, such as pop, candy bars, and snack cakes. Last spring, Pepsi's contract ran out, and Coke prevailed as the new distributor of carbonated beverages on campus.

"We solicited bids and proposals for both; we always do," said Dr. John Tiede, senior vice president. "We typically give them our volume and our pricing levels; they then give a percent commission rate that they'll give back to the College. That's what we base it on."

Tiede said Southern decided to go with Coke, who promised a 45 percent return on all sales as compared to Pepsi's 40 percent return. Due to the higher return to the College, prices are raised to make the difference. And there isn't much choice in the matter for students — the Coke monopoly has attained the contract for the next 10 years.

Tiede commented on the inflated prices in the machines on campus.

"That would have been true regardless," he said. "It had been frozen for like eight years, and so this time we said we decided we would let them go up to 65 cents."

Cole Mashburn, manager of Coca-Cola Joplin, said the prices actually are cheaper on campus than at surrounding stores.

"I think if the students go across the road to the convenience store, they'll find the average cost is 89 to 90 cents a bottle," Mashburn said.

He said students shouldn't expect another price increase for two years, but due to inflation "there's always a chance."

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Trip focuses on justiceBy JEFF BILLINGTON
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

The ins and outs of the European justice system will be the focus of an intersession program next spring. The criminal justice department is sponsoring a trip to England, Spain, and Morocco from May 23 to June 4.

"This will be the third intersession study tour we've had," said Richard Spencer, instructor of criminal justice. "The first one was to England, actually London and Paris, and the second was to Australia."

Spencer, who is coordinating the trip, said he began looking into another European venture last summer.

"I think I started looking at it right after we got back from

Australia," he said. "I've always been interested in the justice systems over there."

Spencer said the trip will include several stops of a criminal justice nature.

"In London we will go to Old Bailey, which is the central courts building. We'll go to the Houses of Parliament," he said.

"We'll travel on to the southern part of Spain. When we're there we'll have a chance to visit police stations, courthouses, and a prison."

Jeff Droz, senior criminal justice major, said a class he is currently attending has encouraged him to take this trip.

"Right now I'm in an international justice class, and we've talked about a lot of what goes on in England," he said. "We'll be there for a few days and we'll go see the jails. In Spain we're going to just talk to officers and see how things work."

"Many students think because it's a criminal justice-sponsored program they can't go," he said. "One of the things I would like to do is to get more people from across campus. I think that it makes a better trip if there are people from all kinds of different majors."

I've always been interested in the justice systems over there.

Richard Spencer
Instructor of
criminal justice



ERIC GRUBER/The Chart

Jennifer Kleinhenz, senior elementary education major, makes her beverage choice at the Coca-Cola machines in the first floor of Reynolds Hall. Some students are displeased with the current prices and reliability of the machines.

Linda Moser, cashier, said this year's seen higher numbers of refunds than previous.

"When they first switched over to Coke, we had a lot more," she said. "The machine couldn't keep up with the traffic."

Moser does acknowledge the refunds have gotten less with the exception of the machines that have bottles instead of cans.

"In the bottles, it will keep their money even

if it's out of pop," she said. "They (Coke) are aware of the problem, and they're working on fixing it."

But no matter how much money the College raises or what problems occur with the machines, ultimately the student pays.

Colin Carley, sophomore computer science major, said he understands "things happen" when it comes to higher prices, but he said

he would rather the prices stay at their lower price. He has lost money in the machines before, but made no effort for a refund.

"I just gave up," Carley said. "I didn't think it was worth it."

Mashburn said if anyone has comments or complaints about the service they can call 624-4117, where a 24-hour service technician is available.

Senate finishes with surplus funds**Students wish to improve campus involvement**By JEFF WELLS
CITY NEWS EDITOR

In baseball, a tie goes to the runner. The Student Senate does not adhere to that rule.

Taking a cue from Santa Claus, they double-check their votes.

Jamie Hampton, freshman criminal justice major, defeated Sarah Barton, freshman elementary education major, in a vote for an open representative position at the beginning of the Senate's Wednesday meeting.

However, it would take further questioning by the Senate and another vote before she would be confirmed.

Immediately following the roll call, Senate President Jesse DeGonia asked the candidates to address the Senate.

Both Hampton and Barton expressed a desire to be involved in campus activities.

The Senate decided to conduct a hand-vote instead of a secret-ballot vote.

"I want to be involved," Barton said while the Senate debated. "I want to be a part of making decisions for the students."

Hampton's response was similar.

Hampton won the vote by a large margin. Five senators voted for Barton and two abstained.

After the vote, senator Nick Prewett asked if any senators knew the candidates. No senator replied.

Prewett said senators did not have enough information to make an educated decision on the candidates.

DeGonia asked that the candidates be returned to the room for questioning and told that the vote was a tie.

Parliamentarian Sandy Fisk retrieved the candidates from the hall asking them to return to the room because the Senate was undecided.

Senators asked a variety of questions and Barton and Hampton again left the room.

After they had left, Fisk said, "Now we know they truly are equal."

The final vote did not reflect Fisk's statement. Hampton won by a larger margin on the second vote.

Senators thought the vote showed the student body was not aware of the Senate's role.

"A lot of people do not know what we do," said senator Beth Cook.

Senator Tom Williams said the Senate should solicit suggestions from students. He said the Senate needed alternatives to *The Chart* editorials for collecting student input.

Fisk said the Senate has displayed a suggestion box in the past, but received no serious comments.

The finance committee and the Senate unanimously approved a \$1,000 allocation to the Collegiate Music Educators.

The appropriation reduced the Senate treasury balance to \$1,600.

During announcements, senator Tyler Shields attempted to bring up the perennial subject of reviving a campus yearbook.

"You really are a freshman," Fisk said. "This is something the Senate has worked on for four years."

Fisk said the Senate may discuss a yearbook next semester, suggesting new solutions such as a CD-ROM publication.

The meeting was the final business meeting of the semester. The first meeting of the spring semester is Jan. 20.

Seven senators were absent: Brandon Fuhr,

Lisa Bandy, Vanessa Copeland, Henry Holmes, Stephen Bishop, Brea Vancil, and Aqueeleh Jackson. The absence was Fuhr's fourth, the maximum allowed by the Constitution. Senate attendance records will be reset with the new semester. One senator will be graduating in December.

Associate Editor Jeff Billington contributed to this story.

SENATE COFFERS**Nov. 20 REQUEST:****COLLEGIATE MUSIC EDUCATORS —****Request: \$1,000****Received: \$1,000****CURRENT BALANCE:****\$1,600**

Missouri Southern's Student Senate allows clubs and organizations made up of students to request up to \$1,000 to pay for group expenses.

NICK PARKER/The Chart

Class continues braving life's difficultiesBy GINNY DUMOND
MANAGING EDITOR

Taking a break from classes next week is a welcome respite from a semester that has been full of major decision making and controversy for members of the Class of 2001.

Damion Belk and Tiffany Hilton, Class of 2001 members, are not attending Missouri Southern this semester.

Amanda Pulce, sophomore biology major, has been busy juggling her personal life and a recent controversy at work has taken priority.

"I got fired from my job," she said. "My boss said I was calling her names. So, the head administrator let her fire me."

Pulce, who has worked at the retirement home for more than three years, says she thinks a trend of racial slurs led her to believe

her dismissal was racially motivated.

"She fired seven of us at 6 a.m. on Saturday, and every person fired was a minority," Pulce said.

Since working at the retirement home, she says she has been faced with several racial remarks from supervisors and co-workers.

"I've been called colored girl, monkey, and a nigger," she said. "And my administrator knew about it all the time."

Because of the nature of the dismissals, Pulce's mother contacted the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, who Pulce says has decided to file suit with the retirement home.

Sophomore Nann Robertson is coming off a custody/child support court victory that has caused her to step back from her major of dental hygiene.

Earlier in the semester Robertson went to trial with her ex-husband to establish a new child-support agreement after her ex-husband's recent marriage. During the trial, Robertson says her College attendance as opposed to working was brought up. "My attorney brought up my 3.9 GPA and said 'Don't you think this will benefit you when she graduates and can get a higher-paying job?'" and he (her ex-husband) just laughed and said, "If she ever graduates," Robertson said.

"After it was all over I sat down and wrote him a letter thanking him for lighting a fire under me to keep on with what I'm doing."

With a new outlook on her future at Southern, Robertson has decided to switch courses and join the teacher education program.

Sophomore political science major Wade Early is getting back into the swing of things on the mound for the baseball Lions.

"Look for us to win some games this year," he said. "The pitching staff is looking pretty fly, pretty hype this year."

SOUTHERN NEWS BRIEFS**Harrison achieves broadcaster award**

Austin Allen Harrison received the 1998 Pioneer Broadcaster Award from Missouri Southern's department of communications during the Video Showcase '98 at Southern on Nov. 13. The award honors an individual who has made extraordinary contributions in the field of electronic communications.

Harrison, of Wayland, Mass., was born in Carthage where he graduated from high school in 1939. He founded the original KSWM radio station (now KKLL) and KSWM-TV (now KODE-TV) in Joplin. He was the Joplin Junior Chamber of Commerce's Young Man of the Year in 1950. He also was a member of the Joplin School Board during the early development of Joplin Junior College.

During his long and distinguished career, Harrison was a special management consultant for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration in Washington, D.C. He pioneered an Ultra High Frequency station in Boston as well as UHF stations in Missouri, Florida, California, Massachusetts, Ohio, and Minnesota, among other accomplishments.

Five Southern students receive research grants

Missouri Southern's student research grant committee has awarded five research grants for the fall 1998 and spring 1999 semesters. Grants vary in size from \$58 to \$750. A committee of faculty members selects the recipients, who must have a faculty sponsor.

Recipients and their areas of research include:

Desiree Alcock, sophomore biology major, will perform an internship with the Pacific Whale Foundation in Maui, Hawaii, to explore the relationship between photo-identified humpback whales producing songs and their interactions with other members of the same whale population.

Angela Larrey, senior psychology major, examined the effect of massage therapy vs. casual physical contact touch on levels of body dissatisfaction in a control group of 45 freshman students.

Amy Graves, senior biology major, is to study the use of naturally occurring microorganisms to suppress plant disease, rather than pesticides.

Ruthanna Wine, junior biology major, received a grant to defray costs of presenting a paper titled "The Role of Late Endosomal Membranes in Sindbis Viral Replication" at the Argonne National Laboratory Symposium for Undergraduate Research Science, Engineering and Mathematics in Chicago.

Kris Graves, senior general studies, received a grant to research history and sense of community in Bartlett, Kan.

Show opens students artwork to display, sale

Missouri Southern ceramic students open their fall pottery show and sale Monday, Nov. 30. The sale runs through Friday, Dec. 18. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sundays in Spiva Art Gallery.

A Raku demonstration of an ancient Japanese pottery making technique takes place from 4 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on the Mondays of Dec. 7 and 14.

Most pieces will be available for purchase, and proceeds go to the beginning and advanced ceramics students.

Participants include: Pattie Bruenerge, Carthage; Theresa Bartholet, Diana Bray, Jeremy Butler, Sam Lewis, Jon Lowe, John Scherbeck, Mark Sweet, Rich Reed, Jean Schroter, and Lynn Ware, Joplin; Jana Yust, Becky Sparkman, and Heather Grills, Seneca; and David Carpenter, Webb City.

The Chart PUBLIC FORUM

Page 4

Friday, November 20, 1998

OUR EDITORIAL

Unsigned editorials on this page express the opinions of a majority of The Chart editors. Observations elsewhere on the page represent independent viewpoints of columnists, cartoonists, and readers.

Infringement non-existent

Allies were not expected to flock to Southern's corner in the status/name change brawl. But, Central Missouri's leap into the ring of opposition came as a bit of a surprise.

Why would one of the oldest universities in the state fight the status change for little 'ol us living quietly hours away?

Good question.

Central President Ed Elliott said he would oppose any name change that would have an impact on his university. He said a Southern name change would effect Central enrollment.

In Show-Me State politics Missouri Southern must show the Coordinating Board for Higher Education that we deserve the name change to gain their endorsement.

Central Missouri should be required to show exactly how improving Southern's image is going to harm the university in a tangible fashion. Ego bruises are not enough. The Mules have to show how blood will be spilled. Elliott says change would hinder Central's enrollment efforts. That would be a compelling argument if it agreed with current state law.

On the books Central serves constituents in mid-Missouri while Southern serves four counties in southwest Missouri. While both institutions claim an international reach neither is funded to cannibalize on other state institutions.

Southern will continue to serve southwest Missouri as well as continue to draw students from throughout the state.

However, the status change will not involve any new infringement on Central's territory or that of any other Missouri university. We can all remain masters of our own domain.

How insecure is Central Missouri? We are not asking to pull away any of Central's 11,700 students. We are seeking to help our 6,000 students navigate in an international educational environment.

The fight for university status is becoming a war. In this battle we must be as stubborn as the Mules. □

EDITOR'S COLUMN

Ten pearls of wisdom spring from years at Southern

After three and a half years of tests, endless studying, reports, and writing countless newspaper articles, I feel fully prepared to leave college life behind and move on to the next stage.

Though I feel like I've gained a lot through my schooling, to say that come Dec. 19, my graduation date, the learning process will come to an end, is ridiculous.



Susie Frisbie

Arts Editor

In fact, I'm a firm believer life itself and time often can be the best teachers.

Instead of going through and thanking everyone who has believed in me and guided me through my education (you know who you are), I'd like to share some of the life lessons I've learned throughout my 21 years with any of you who cares.

Susie's life lesson #1 — Accept the fact not everyone you think are your friends really are. If you realize this betrayal, it is easier to accept, and you'll save yourself a lot of heartache.

Susie's life lesson #2 — Learning to accept differences of opinion is often the key to mending the broken friendships or family ties.

Susie's life lesson #3 — Don't believe everything you hear. Always consider

the source. There are people out there who would like to see gossiping become a national pastime.

Susie's life lesson #4 — (This one's for the men.) Women aren't lying when they say they'd like to find men who respect their minds above their bodies. Just a little hint — if you want to compliment a woman, don't do so in front of all your friends. That will get you nowhere fast with anyone respectable.

Susie's life lesson #5 — When women say they hate men in front of a man, she's probably just seeking attention from one.

Susie's life lesson #6 — Do not accept ignorance as an unchangeable trait. Accepting ignorance only makes you weak and the ignorant strong. Stand up for what you believe.

Susie's life lesson #7 — Don't be afraid to stimulate your mind. Take classes and professors who are notoriously difficult. Don't be scared to learn.

Susie's life lesson #8 — Understand who you are and what you want in life. You won't be happy if you let others define who you are.

Susie's life lesson #9 — Don't generalize people. Generalizations too often lead to unfair labels. Nobody fits under one stereotypical category. Accept each person as a unique individual.

Susie's life lesson #10 — Be proud of your own accomplishments. Don't be jealous or envious. Jealousy and envy will only fill your heart with hatred and bring you unhappiness.

I truly believe the key to winning the game of life is to find happiness within

yourself. Change is a scary thing, but it's never too late to turn an aspect of your life around you're not satisfied with.

Once, well over a year ago, I was doing an interview with Dr. Ann Allman, a counselor at Missouri Southern.

After the interview had concluded, she shared some business-sized cards she had made with me. Some had cute little sayings on them, others were more serious.

I took a few and went on my way. Since that day, one of those cards has remained with me.

I look at it everyday as I'm driving. It says, "If you always do what you've always done, you'll always get what you've always gotten."

Life can be an evolutionary process, if you'll only let it be. □

YOUR LETTERS

The Chart welcomes letters from readers. Letters must be signed and include a phone number for verification. Letters should be 300 words or fewer. Submit letters to The Chart office on the third floor of Webster Hall, fax them to (417) 625-9742, or send via e-mail. Our e-mail address: Chart@mail.mssc.edu. Letters are due by noon Monday for publication in that week's edition.

Alumni seeks end to bickering, says unify for university status

I suggested the name "U. of MO. at Joplin" on the survey card I received. But, actually I prefer the name MO Southern St. U. It took around 30 years for Joplin Jr. College to become MSSC (actually it was Missouri Southern College back in '68, if I am not mistaken). So ever since then, we have undergone some changing with the times and

needs of the students...seeking a new identity that more clearly represents the goals, objectives, and mission of the College.

Graduate degrees notwithstanding, I feel MSSC gives a student a "university" caliber education. There will come a time eventually when we will offer graduate degrees of our own. The College has

gone through changes since I left in Dec. '95. They weren't fully online at that time...the new gym is under construction...the new student cafeteria is under construction...the law enforcement building project has been completed and there are more plans for expansion in the future for the library and other portions of campus.

This is a vibrant, dynamic time to be on the campus of MSSC. Every student enrolled chose MSSC for a reason...be it scholarship, cost, proximity, or desire, those are just a few. So I ask everyone involved to end the petty bickering and support the name Missouri Southern State University.

It is the next logical step in the evolve-

ment of the school. It is a reasonable obtainable change.

We must remember, how will the CBHE view us? Quarreling over self-serving interests? Or standing united behind one name?

Sincerely,
Richard Shaw
BSBA '95

SPJ — The Nation's Best Non-Daily Collegiate Newspaper (1995, 1996)
ACP National Pacemaker (1997) ACP Best of Show (1998)
ACP Pacemaker Finalist (1982, 1986, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1994, 1997, 1998)
MCMA — "Best in State" (1993-94, 1996-97, 1997-98)

The Chart, the newspaper of Missouri Southern State College, is published weekly, except during holidays and examination periods, from August through May, by students in communications as a laboratory experience. Views expressed do not represent the opinions of the administration, faculty, or the student body.

THE CHART

Nick Parker
Editor-in-Chief

Ginny Dumond Managing Editor
Jeff Billington Associate Editor
Susie Frisbie Associate Editor

Jeff Wells City News Editor
Brin Cavan Automotive Editor
Andre L. Smith Sports Editor

Rhonda Clark Assistant Editor
Maria Hinkle Assistant Editor
Noppadol Paothong Photo Dir.

Andrea Wilkinson Cartoonist
John Smaha Advertising Mgr.
Dr. Chad Stebbins Adviser

Staff Members: Brian Wirth, Jana Blankenship, Andy Searcy, Erin Sellers, Elizabeth Schuman, Scott Meeker, Matt Madura, Sarah Kyle, Cassie Hornsby, Michelle Conroy-Prettyman, Heather Farren, Eric Gruber, JoBeth Harris, Joe Eckoff, Dan Gustafson

A CLOSER LOOK

"His legacy is a great one, and Missouri Southern wouldn't be where it is today without him."

Laying our Foundation

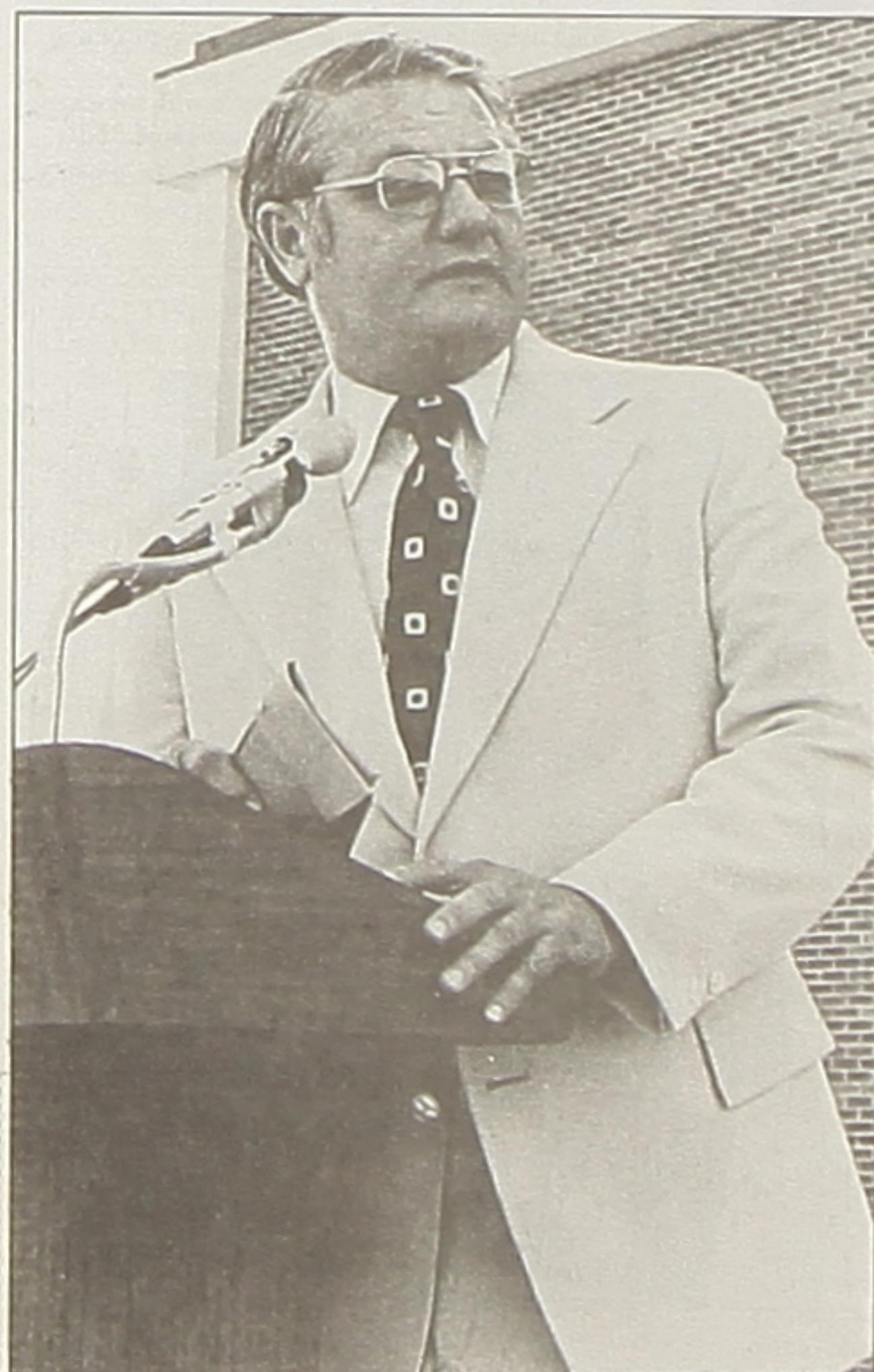


(Left) Architect Frank McArthur, Fred Hughes, Gene Taylor, and Leon Billingsly break ground for the new campus of Missouri Southern College. Hearnes Hall was the first building constructed on the campus.

SPECIAL TO THE CHART

A Career In Administration

- Superintendent, Golden City Schools, 5 years
- Dean, Joplin Junior College, 1961 - 1963
- Director, Kellogg Community College, 1963 - 1964
- President, Jasper County Community College, 1964 - 1967
- President, Missouri Southern (State) College, 1967 - 1978



SPECIAL TO THE CHART

1978, A College Mourns



The *Chart* released a special edition Monday, November 27, 1978, two days after Dr. Leon Billingsly died of a heart attack. The issue paid tribute to Billingsly's life and his many contributions to the College. A story on the front page announced classes being canceled for two days in honor of Missouri Southern's first president. The inside pages of the issue paid tribute to the man who 'raised the College to adulthood.'

College remembers Southern's first president

By JEFF BILLINGTON
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Although 20 years have passed since his untimely death, the legacy of Dr. Leon C. Billingsly is still visible at Missouri Southern today.

Billingsly, the College's first president, suffered a fatal heart attack on Nov. 25, 1978, at the age of 53.

"We have a strong president now, Dr. [Julio] Leon, and he has certainly left his mark on the College," said Dr. Larry Martin, dean of the school of arts and sciences. "But Dr. Billingsly was the one who established the four-year school here. He brought us from a two-year community col-

lege to a state-supported institution."

Leon, who became president in 1982 but came to Southern in 1969, agrees the legacy of this man still survives.

"There is no question about it, you just have to look around the campus," he said. "There was a crucial period of transition when it became Missouri Southern, and he was an important part of it."

Sue Billingsly, director of the Missouri Southern Foundation and Billingsly's widow, is pleased with the College's progress since his death.

"It's been rewarding to see his dream fulfilled in the past 20 years under the guid-

Building our Campus

Dr. Billingsly is often credited for building Missouri Southern into the campus it is today.

- Hearnes Hall, 1967
- George A. Spiva Library, 1967
- Reynolds Hall, 1967
- Young Gymnasium, 1967
- Billingsly Student Center, 1969
- Ummel Technology Bldg., 1970
- Residence Halls, 1970
- Four-Year State Accreditation, 1972

Campus Column

OMICRON DELTA KAPPA

Society welcomes faculty, students

Honors organization inducts 25 members

By JANA BLANKENSHIP
STAFF WRITER

Twenty-three students and two faculty members were inducted into Omicron Delta Kappa, a national leadership honor society, Sunday afternoon in the Billingsly Student Center.

"It's a distinguished honor," said Dr. Elaine Freeman, ODK adviser. "It recognizes the top leaders at Missouri Southern State College."

Members were chosen based on their leadership in scholarship; athletics; campus or community service; social and religious activities;

campus government; journalism, speech, and the mass media; and the creative and performing arts. Faculty who have achieved distinction in their chosen profession also are eligible for membership.

Students and faculty are nominated by faculty or current members of ODK.

Freeman said there are 47 student members and 24 faculty members in the organization. Meetings are held twice a month.

"It is a very active organization," she said.

ODK participates in service and leadership activities. Members serve on a graduate school panel for Career Day, host the Emerging Leaders Conference for high school students, and help with the

Four State Province Conference. "We also do various service projects," Freeman said. "Right now we are collecting money for the Ronald McDonald House."

Amy Graves, senior biology major, thinks the organization did a good job of selecting members.

"I'm really excited about it," she said. "The members are such strong leaders. They have a strong motivation and desire to see things done."

Graves said the organization gives members a chance to be more open-minded and acquire new ideas.

"I think the biggest benefit is just the networking across campus," she said. "It will benefit us in the future."

Faculty members who were inducted Dr. Pat Lipira, associate professor of kinesiology and women's softball coach; and Dr. Jack Spurlin, vice president for lifelong learning and dean of the school of technology.

Student members inducted were Jessica Cales, senior biology (pre-medicine) major; Cynthia Cook, senior English education major; Evelyn Cook, junior psychology major; Sherry Crumbliss, senior elementary education major; Kenny Dean, senior criminal justice administration major; Jesse DeGonia, senior psychology major; Virginia Dumond, junior mass communications/political science major; Sonia Eudy, senior elementary education major; Julie Fisher,

junior early childhood education major; Heidi Hathcock, senior early childhood education major; Dixie Henry, senior elementary education major; Kathryn Koehler, junior nursing major; Kristy Kyser, senior music education major; Scott Meeker, senior English major; Nathan Moss, senior physics major; Matt Olson, senior marketing major; Jeremy Phillips, senior physical education major; Krystal Russell, junior accounting major; Amber Shoemaker, junior general studies major; Donald Simon, senior mass communications major; John Smaha, senior marketing major; Amanda Ward, senior psychology major; and Tracy Wood, senior elementary education major. □

COLLEGE ORIENTATION

Please receives leadership praise

Student achieves award for teaching orientation

By ERIN SELLERS
STAFF WRITER

The title of "Returning Orientation Leader of the Year" went to a seven-semester orientation leader.

Jennifer Pease, senior psychology major, views her job as orientation leader as a personal commitment.

"I pretty much spend all my time with orientation," she said. "It's eight weeks, I wish it were longer. When I leave my class at the end of eight weeks, I wonder what they're doing. It kind of tugs at you."

Pease makes the point to extend herself beyond the classroom.

"I walk by [my students] and say, 'Hi, how are you doing? Are you having any problems? If you do, then I'll try to help,'" she said.

"She just has a way about her that people tend to gravitate towards," said Susan Craig, director of orientation. "Students like the fact that she actually takes the time to worry about them."

Pease taught her first class in the fall of 1995.

"That's when I had my first butterflies, getting up in front of my class," she said. "I still have butterflies because I don't know anybody at first, but it gets easier each time."

Pease's orientation leader nominated her to be an orientation leader, and she decided to try it.

"I thought, 'Well, it's something to do on campus,'" she said. "I didn't know if I would like it, but I tried it and it was great."

Students, orientation mentors, and fellow orientation leaders nominate candidates for the year's "Returning Orientation Leader of the Year." The executive board, composed of five student leaders, reviews the nominations.

"I always tell people to write a quality nomination form because I ask the board to make their recommendation based on the quality of the nominations, not the quantity," Craig said.



Jennifer Pease, senior psychology major and this year's "Returning Orientation Leader of the Year," takes the time to help new students adjust to college life.

After all the tallying and reviewing, the executive board selected Pease.

She livens up her class with charades and various other techniques.

"There's so many fun things you can bring into these classes to make them fun," Pease said. "If you go into an orientation class and say, 'OK, guys, I am here because of the retention level,' all your students are going to go, 'What is that?' We try to keep it exciting."

One benefit of being an orientation leader is the relationships Pease has made with faculty and students.

"I taught a block class with [Dr. Erik

Bitterbaum, vice president for academic affairs]," she said. "I had never met the man before. I cannot walk by him today and him not say 'Hi' to me. It's a nice feeling to have."

"I have a friend of mine that, when we walk around campus, every five minutes it's 'Hi Jennifer,' and she is like, 'My God, you know the whole campus!'"

Pease served three years on the orientation executive board. She retired this year from her position of director of student orientation. Pease will graduate in December. She plans to pursue a career in the field of research psychology. □

LANGUAGE CENTER

Club teaches foreign ways

By JANA BLANKENSHIP
STAFF WRITER

There's a new club on the campus of Missouri Southern.

Although the Russian-American Club has been in existence for about two years, it has only recently become an official organization on campus.

"We've been meeting for some time," said Tatiana Karmanova, director of the International Language Resource Center and assistant professor of communications. "We had a need for expenses. We wanted the financial benefits and recognition of being an organization."

The finances will be used to bring in speakers or artists for the club.

"We want to bring in musicians who perform and sing," Karmanova said.

The group involves Russian students and American students studying Russian who would like to learn more about the Russian culture. They study Russian history by watching movies and having discussions about issues and current events.

One movie the club watched together was *Prisoner of the Mountains*, which embraces Russian literary history.

"The purpose of the club is to help American students understand Russian," Karmanova said. "The main benefit of the club is that students are able to learn more about the Russian culture. They also get to meet people who are here and see their different views."

The club, comprised of approximately 18 members, does not meet on a regular basis. The meetings are usually held at 2 p.m. one Thursday a month.

Egor Ushakov, junior international business major, is the president of the club. He said he and Karmanova organized the club because many American students are interested in Russian culture.

"It's good to interact with each other," Ushakov said. "The biggest benefit is getting together with people who are interested in the Russian culture and meeting each other."

Ushakov said the club has invited a singer and songwriter to perform at one of their upcoming meetings.

"There used to be a lot of people who were misinformed about Russians," Ushakov said. "I'd like for them to see the truth. I think we are very nice people." □

Campus Calendar

If your organization has an event you would like publicized, call Jeff Billington at 625-9311.

CAB

Campus Activities Board

■ CAB Trip: Branson shopping trip, Christmas lights display touring, etc. \$5 for students, tickets available in BSC Box Office Room 112.

Monday 23

10:45 a.m.—

Thanksgiving buffet, BSC 3rd floor, free to board students, \$5 to all others.

7 p.m.—

CAB Event: Modern Dance Program, Taylor Auditorium

Thursday 26

Thanksgiving Day

Tuesday 1

12:20 p.m.—

Missouri Constitution Test, Webster hall, Room 210

Thursday 3

English field day, all day, Hearnes hall and BSC

Monday 7

Last day to completely withdraw with all "W's"

7:30 p.m.—

Orchestra concert Taylor Auditorium

STUDENT NURSES' ASSOCIATION

Nurses offer campus challenge

By BRIAN WIRTH
STAFF WRITER

The Student Nurses' Association has issued a challenge to all other campus organizations.

The challenge is to raise money for the Ronald McDonald House Christmas Wish List. The SNA would like to see each organization raise a minimum of \$100 through fund-raisers, donations, or anything it can.

"We wanted to help the Ronald McDonald House because we are interested in what they are doing here in Joplin," said Grace Ayton, assistant professor of nursing. "They need money to buy expensive items that they can't afford."

Some of the items needed by the Ronald McDonald House are a wheelchair, apnea monitors, breast pumps, books, decorations for Christmas, and other necessities. Money received will go to help buy some of the needed equipment.

"I have already talked to the medical equipment suppliers here in town, and I think that they are willing to cut a deal with us on the equipment that is needed," said Lisa Hunt, SNA president.

Other non-medical supplies are also needed for the Ronald McDonald House.

"I think that a lot of people think that after the house was built, they would not need any more help," Hunt said. "It is expensive running a place like that, and they are in need of everything from help getting bills paid to getting quick, easy-fix foods."

66

It is expensive running a place like that, and they are in need of everything from help getting bills paid to getting quick, easy-fix foods.

Lisa Hunt
SNA president

99

The SNA has already started raising money for this project by raffling a new Littman Stethoscope valued at \$130. Members are also donating the proceeds from jackets the SNA recently bought, and may possibly donate some money out of the SNA account.

"We would like to see all the other campus organizations raise more money than us," Hunt said.

The contest began Nov. 2 and runs to Dec. 2. Along with the contest, the Ronald McDonald House is also looking for volunteers to help the staff at the house.

"This would be an excellent community project for organizations, and it is good to help because this affects everyone in some way," Hunt said. "You never know, you might need the Ronald McDonald House some day." □

DECK THE HALLS



Jerry Robertson, physical plant employee, prepares Webster Hall for the upcoming holiday season.

Dance pair to perform on campus

Couple will speak to class, dance in evening concert

By ERIN SELLERS

STAFF WRITER

This Monday, Missouri Southern showcases an experimental post-modern dance concert.

Kent DeSpain and Leslie Dworkin bring their program titled "Up North: A Concert of Postmodern Dance" at 7:30 p.m. in Taylor Auditorium. The Campus Activities Board is sponsoring this free event.

A Philadelphia review describes DeSpain and Dworkin as "a flawless pair."

Dworkin is the sister of Dr. Joy Dworkin, associate professor of English at Southern.

"The last time I saw her dance, she was finishing her master's of fine arts," Joy Dworkin said. "So, I am incredibly excited."

STONE'S THROW THEATRE

Family play coming soon in Joplin area

By MICHELLE CONTY-PRETTYMAN

STAFF WRITER

A claimed Springfield playwright Sandy Asher has promised to attend one performance of her new play-in-progress, "The Wolf and Its Shadows," commissioned for the Emily Gifford Children's Theatre, Omaha, Neb.

Asher has won the American Alliance for Theatre and Education Award and has seen her plays produced at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C.

The play is to appear today and Saturday at the Stone's Throw Theatre in Carthage.

Doors and snack bar open at 6 p.m.; curtain is at 7 p.m. Directed by Henry Heckert, the play features Brandi Backer, Kendra Dearing, Sonya Kew, Eric Conrady, Robert Moritz, and William Roehling.

"Recommended for family viewing and sharing," Heckert said.

The menu includes green salad, baked spaghetti, vegetables, bread, dessert, coffee, and tea.

This show is not on the season membership ticket. Admission is \$5.50 for adults, \$4.50 for members and guests, and \$3.50 for students 20 and under. The deli bar is \$4.50.

The characters in this presentation are the wolf, the old wolf, the puppet wolf, werewolf, dog, story dog, hunter, priest, shepherd, story shepherd, maiden, young man, spirit of the sky, puppet sheep, and young man's rival.

The cast of six changes characters frequently adding to the vitality of the production.

The time is one night, from dusk until dawn, and various imagined places in the stories told. The Milky Way, the Wolf Road of ancient lore, appears in the night sky as the house lights dim. The actors use masks and puppets and instrumental devices as the stories are told.

Based on myth and legend from both old and new world sources, the Springfield author and lecturer draws the audience down the legendary Wolf Road, The Milky Way.

Taking her small cousin, Dog, into her confidence, Wolf encounters man as well as other animals as she endeavors to set her much maligned record straight.

Asher lives in Springfield. An author, playwright, and lecturer, her ever-growing list of plays include "Emma," "Across the Plains: The Journey of the Place Wagon Family," "Little Old Ladies in Tennis Shoes," "Dancing With Strangers," "Sunday, Sunday," "A Woman Called Truth," "The Wise Men of Chelm," and "Once, in the Time of Truth."

For more information, persons may call 417-358-9665. □

Debut follow-up targets twentysomething generation

By SUSIE FRISBIE

ARTS EDITOR

After creating the best-selling debut album of all time, Alanis Morissette is dealing with the intense pressure of expectations set by the recording industry by getting naked and playing God.

"Thank You," the first single released from her latest album, *Supposed Former Infatuation Junkie*, is a song about finding comfort in a life once filled with affliction and prompted a video featuring Morissette completely naked. Morissette is also found lying naked in the fetal position on the compact disk itself.

Infatuation Junkie is not just a repeat of her angst-ridden debut *Jagged Little Pill*. It is less a continuation and more metamorphosis with a few familiar wails.

A glimpse of the "new" Morissette can be seen on her 1995 debut album with songs like "You Learn."

What Morissette offers the public with *Infatuation Junkie* is



Susie
Frisbie
Arts
Editor

In Review

a truly intelligent probe into the psyche of a too often misunderstood "twentysomething" generation.

The album is not sugar-coated, nor does it seek revenge; instead, it's an album about healing.

Morissette's lyrics on *Infatuation Junkie* deal with topics ranging from suicide to religion to self analysis.

Gone is the rage of *Jagged Little Pill*. Morissette is no longer venting anger, she's resolving it.

In "Sympathetic Character," she sings, "I have as much rage as you have, I have as much pain as you do, I've lived as much hell as you have, and I've kept mine bubbling under for you."

She goes on to sing, "you were my keeper, you were my anchor, you were my family, you were my savior, and therein lay the issue, and therein lay the problem."

Perhaps the song furthest from the "former" Morissette is a song that best shows off her vocal as well as lyrical talents titled, "That I Would Be Good."

The song's strength lies in its simplicity and emotional purity.

Listening to the song, one experiences what is quite possibly the most important aspect an artist strives for — an emotional connection.

Morissette sings, "that I would be fine even if I went bankrupt, that I would be good if I lost my hair and my youth, that would be great if I was no longer queen, that I would be

grand if I was not all knowing."

To say the album's strength lay only in the lyrics would be a gross understatement. The Grammy-winning pair of Morissette and Glen Ballard have once again laid down, although with a much softer tone this time, a mix of beats and rhythms played with a combination of strings, drums, horns, and, of course, harmonicas, that although uncharacteristic of today's sound, somehow work.

Morissette's sound is unlike any other contemporaries. She's a revolutionary who's not afraid to push the envelope of what is acceptable style and lyrical content.

What's sad is Morissette's strengths will most likely be the subject of the greatest criticism. Just as critics were not ready for the 21-year-old Morissette's head strong debut, they will be equally unprepared for the 24-year-old's hour plus therapy session.

"How can someone so young have such strong convictions?" they may say.

These critics are under the misconception there is ease in youth.

Morissette's music provides a vehicle for young and old alike to explore too often taboo emotions and fears.

Emotions and fears most reserve for a higher power.

Because of this, Morissette's next career move may not prove much a stretch. She'll be seen in the upcoming Kevin Smith (*Clerks*) film *Dogma*. She'll play God. Go figure. □

The Chart

Friday,

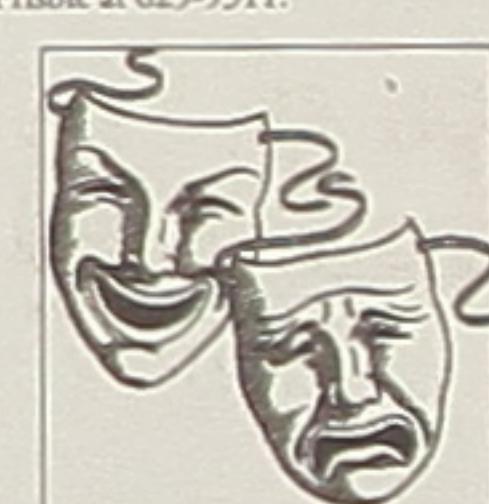
November 20, 1998

Page 7

Arts
Showcase

Arts
Calendar

If your organization has an event you would like publicized, call Susie Frisbie at 625-9311.



■ Southern theatre will present the children's play Taradiddle World on December 5 & 6 at 7:30 p.m. in Taylor Performing Arts Center.

Sunday
December
6

The Spiva Art Gallery will be holding its senior exhibit through Friday, December 11. Admission is free.

Monday
December
7

7:30 p.m.—

Southern's Community Orchestra will be performing in Taylor Performing Arts Center.

Admission is free.

Thursday
December
10

7:30 p.m.—

Southern's concert band and concert chorale will be celebrating the season in a performance to be held in Taylor Performing Arts Center.

Admission is free.

DANCIN' THE NIGHT AWAY



Taking advantage of the African rhythms provided by the Zambian Acapella Boys Choir, freshman undecided major Michelle Moore volunteered to take the stage and dance with the ensemble.

NOPPADOL PAOTHONG/The Chart

grand if I was not all knowing."

To say the album's strength lay only in the lyrics would be a gross understatement. The Grammy-winning pair of Morissette and Glen Ballard have once again laid down, although with a much softer tone this time, a mix of beats and rhythms played with a combination of strings, drums, horns, and, of course, harmonicas, that although uncharacteristic of today's sound, somehow work.

Morissette's sound is unlike any other contemporaries. She's a revolutionary who's not afraid to push the envelope of what is acceptable style and lyrical content.

What's sad is Morissette's strengths will most likely be the subject of the greatest criticism. Just as critics were not ready for the 21-year-old Morissette's head strong debut, they will be equally unprepared for the 24-year-old's hour plus therapy session.

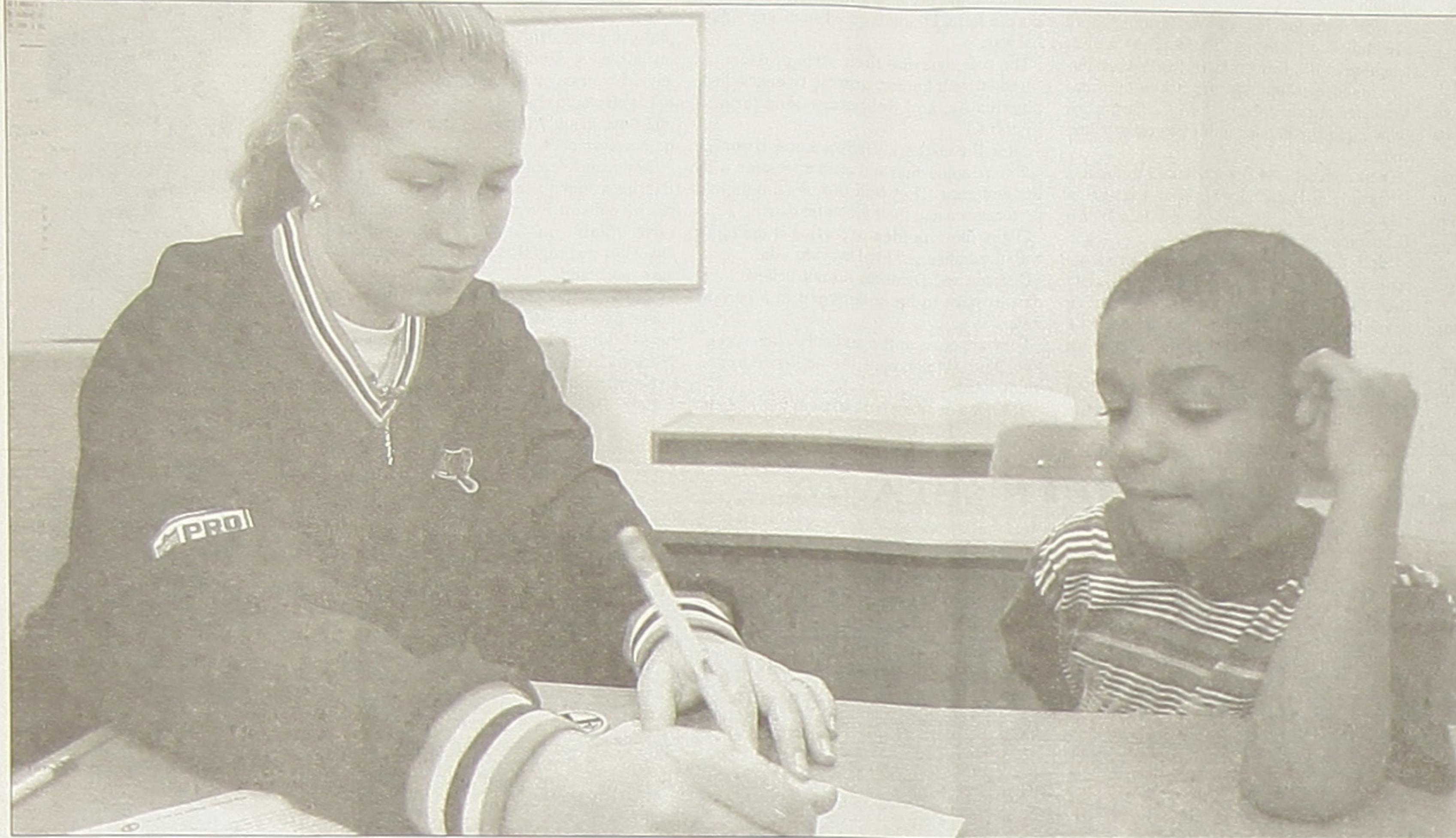
"How can someone so young have such strong convictions?" they may say.

These critics are under the misconception there is ease in youth.

Morissette's music provides a vehicle for young and old alike to explore too often taboo emotions and fears.

Emotions and fears most reserve for a higher power.

Because of this, Morissette's next career move may not prove much a stretch. She'll be seen in the upcoming Kevin Smith (*Clerks*) film *Dogma*. She'll play God. Go figure. □



Bethany Lawson, senior sociology major, helps 5-year-old Dominick Fitts learn the alphabet at the Boys and Girls Club of Joplin.

NOPPADOL PAOTHONG
The Chart

Sociology major dedicates life to serving Jesus

By ANGIE WILLIAMS
CHART REPORTER

After becoming a Christian at age 10, Bethany Lawson has dedicated her life to Jesus and spreading the word.

Lawson, a senior sociology major, has attended Missouri Southern for five years and is active in Koinonia Christian campus ministries and Chi Alpha, a Bible study group.

"My biggest cause is Jesus," she said. "I believe Jesus died on the cross and rose from the grave that I might be saved through him."

A Joplin resident, she was born in Wahiawa, Hawaii,

and has lived in a variety of places including Italy, Maryland, Rhode Island, and California. Her father, a Navy captain; her mother, a housewife; and her youngest brother, Blaine, are living in Okinawa, where Blaine is a sophomore in high school. Lawson also has another brother, Brandon, a junior communications major at Southern.

Lawson has many hobbies such as soccer, volleyball, and playing catch. Her favorite activity, however, is watching movies.

"A lot of the things I say are from movies," she said. "My two favorite movies are *It's a Wonderful Life* and *The Parent Trap*. She also enjoys reading, which brought her to a child's book that really affected her

life. *Midnight Garden* instilled a love for looking at trees.

"I love nature," she said. "God has made so many cool things."

Her personality can be attributed to her philosophy of life. Lawson's philosophy involves three things: first, what would Jesus do; second, Romans 12:2; and third, Philippians 4:8. Through these things she tries to do what is God's will and not her own.

Even though she tries to follow her philosophy everyday, Lawson said she has fallen short many times.

"She's so modest and humble," said Brandon Wynn, a good friend of Lawson's. "She's always there for you, ready to listen."

She has a good heart and has a way of making me laugh."

Lawson has some advice for underclassmen and everyone in everyday life.

"Try and get your homework done as soon as you can," she said.

"Don't study all the time, but don't forget to study. Live for Jesus."

Lawson is scheduled to graduate in December and plans to attend Pittsburg State University to get her master's degree in counseling.

She said unless God has another plan for her, she plans to become a Christian counselor to help others learn to live for and love Jesus. □

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS



NOPPADOL PAOTHONG/The Chart

Senior marketing major Chris Owens enjoys the outdoors when not working or studying.

Biking leads to adventure

By GARRY MOORE
CHART REPORTER

Out on the open road is how Chris Owens, senior marketing major, spent his summer vacation.

"I went bicycling for a week in Canada around Niagara Falls and Lake Ontario," he said. "It was cool, crisp, and clean, and everyone was friendly."

Owens traveled with his family riding 60 miles a day and camping at night.

"We would pack up in the morning and find a good place to eat, usually at a mom-and-pop restaurant," he said. "Then, we would ride until 5 or 6 at night, stopping for lunch breaks and sightseeing along the way."

Owens also took the opportunity to view Niagara Falls up close.

"We went on a boat ride called the Maid in the Mist, and you could ride to the bottom of the falls," he said. "It feels like it's pouring down because of the mist. They give a rain coat to wear, but it didn't do much good."

Owens also experienced Canadian culture by shopping at a local grocery store.

"Every sign and label was written in

English and French, from the soup cans to the handicap parking signs," he said.

Owens has also traveled to Ohio to visit the Rock-n-Roll Hall of Fame in Cleveland and the Football Hall of Fame in Canton.

The past few summers he has vacationed in New Orleans and Florida. Owens is planning more time next year to allow him to camp and ride longer.

"The bike ride is supposed to last for five more days, but we had to come back early because of our jobs," he said.

Owens works as a hardware salesman at Sears in the Northpark Mall, although he dreams about owning his own home stereo business in the future.

"I would like to be my own boss, because if something goes wrong, it's my own fault," he said. "But if it goes right, I can cash in."

In his spare time he enjoys playing the guitar, sampling import beer at a local pub, playing soccer, and woodworking.

"I would like to build more projects once I get some larger space to work in," he said. "My wife and I are planning on buying a house this fall. I think that will be one of my proudest moments."

BIOLOGY DEPARTMENT

Family tradition imprints career

By VINCE SWEENEY
CHART REPORTER

In his four years at Missouri Southern, times of struggle have not been unusual for Andre Ratliff. The difficult times for Ratliff have revolved around his family.

His father, who was a diabetic, died during his sophomore year of college. His mother survives and is a registered nurse. He also had an aunt who died of brain cancer.

Ratliff, 22, a senior biology major, will receive a minor in chemistry. He plans to attend graduate school to study biochemistry.

"I will more than likely attend two years of graduate school, where I plan on getting my master's degree in physical therapy or a Ph.D. in pharmacy," he said.

Family tradition is one of the primary reasons Ratliff has selected physical therapy or pharmacy as a career. Besides his mother, his grandmother and aunts have all been nurses. He also believes physical therapy is related to all sports, which he enjoys.

"My long-term goal is to get into sports medicine," he said. "Sports medicine and physical therapy pretty much go hand in hand."

Ratliff is from St. Louis, where he attended Beaumont High School and was the recipient of a NASA scholarship for college. He chose Southern because he thought the tuition was affordable, and he wanted to stay in the state.

"I wanted to play football for Southern, and did for two years," he said. "After my dad died, I got depressed, and then I had a rib injury. All I wanted to do after this was just chill. Now it's strictly books."

Although he no longer plays football, Ratliff remains active at Southern.

He works in the Student Life Center and is a staff assistant in the residence halls, which gives him free room and board on campus.

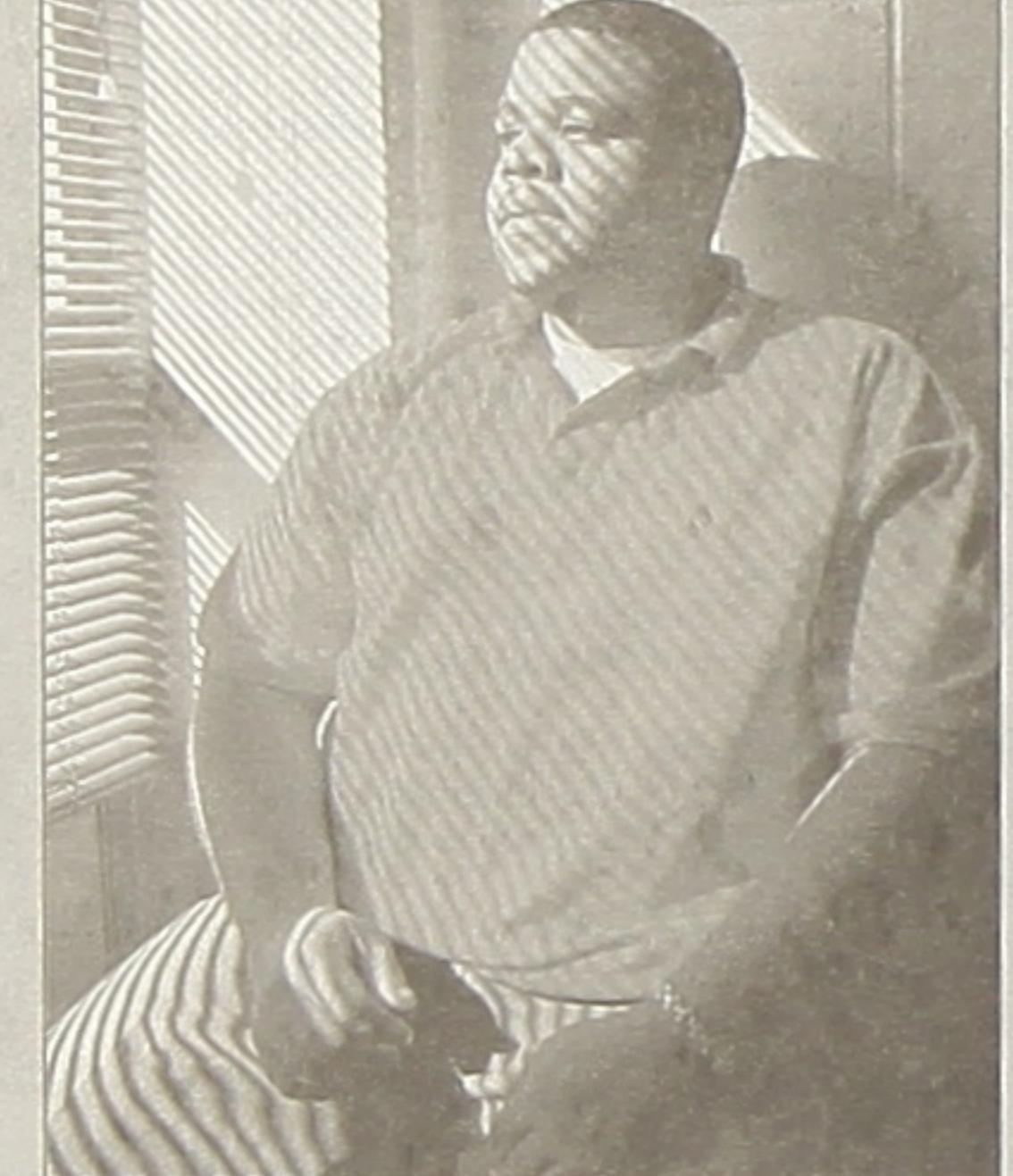
Ratliff also teaches a College Orientation class. Some of Ratliff's favorite subjects are mathematics, English, and any science classes with labs.

His favorite instructor is Michael Rodgers, assistant professor of English, who helped him through some tough times.

"There were times I was ready to pack up and go home," he said, "but he would say stuff and keep me on a positive note."

Ratliff believes Southern has its good and points.

"What I don't care for is how narrow minded some people are and how ignorant they can be to other people's lives,"



NOPPADOL PAOTHONG/The Chart
Andre Ratliff relaxes between studies and life as a staff assistant in the residence halls. A sports enthusiast, he has set his long-term sights on sports medicine.

he said. "I think the best thing about Southern is the size. I toured other schools like Mississippi Valley and Concordia. They were just too big and too expensive."

In his free time, Ratliff enjoys sports, music, and driving cars.

He is a big fan of physical sports. He loves to watch football and professional wrestling.

Ratliff is not sure where he will live after college. His main concern is finding a place with several job opportunities. Wherever the money is, he will be.

"I might return to the Shriner's Hospital in St. Louis where I worked as a physical therapy intern my junior and senior year of high school," Ratliff said.

"Three more years of work there should pay off graduate school."

Ratliff believes what makes him unique is his determination and strong will.

He has confidence in himself and believes he can do anything.

"My mom told me you only do college once," he said. "She went on to tell me that once you get off your butt, the better off you'll be."

Ratliff is proudest of being a senior in college and ready to graduate.

"This is what my dad and aunt would have wanted," he said. "Right before my aunt died, she told me she would be fine, and she told me to find a cure for cancer." □

Friday, November 20, 1998

Page 9

CONSUMER CORNER

"I'm walking proof that warranties work"

Are extended warranties necessary?

With factory coverage starting at 3 years or 36,000 miles, standard warranties have become a new car selling point.

By BRIN CAVAN
AUTOMOTIVE EDITOR

With car manufacturers now offering better factory warranties as a standard feature, the consumer's decision is whether this is adequate or if extended coverage is necessary.

"I think the warranty is definitely something that motivates people to buy new cars or program (slightly used) cars," said Larry Ellis, sales manager at Roper Pontiac, Buick, GMC in Joplin. "It does play a role in that decision."

"I believe if GM dropped their warranty and others did not, within six months there would be a big difference in sales."

Until approximately five years ago, factory warranties on domestic vehicles covered the auto for only 12,000 miles. Now, the standard coverage on a domestic car is three years or 36,000 miles, bumper to bumper.

Some also offer free roadside assistance and/or a rental car if a problem arises during the period of time the factory warranty is in effect.

Domestic factory warranties had to change as the imports set a new standard, offering more extensive coverage to buyers as a basic feature.

"The better warranties are a big reason Nissan and Toyota took a big part of the market in the mid 80s and retained the market share through the early 90s," said Paul Riggan, Continental Auto Mall general manager.

"If they give a better warranty, they are probably going to give a better product. Obviously, manufacturers believe it makes a difference."

Many imports now offer a standard warranty, which not only gives the three-year, 36,000-mile, bumper-to-bumper guarantee, but also provides for five years or 60,000 miles of power train coverage.

The bumper-to-bumper warranty covers almost everything but routine care, including engine, transmission, front and rear ends, brakes, air conditioning, and electronic components.

The power train coverage is limited to the engine, transmission, front end, and rear end.

Hyundai has a new program with its 1999 models. It offers a five-year, 60,000-mile bumper-to-bumper and 10-year, 100,000-mile power train factory warranty.

Brad Felter, Continental Westside's general manager, believes the Hyundai offering is "exciting."

"This is the best [factory] warranty on any car sold in the United States," he said.

In the "high-end" automobiles, such as Cadillac, Mercedes-Benz, Lincoln, or Oldsmobile's Aurora, they arrive with a four-year, 50,000-mile guarantee.

Previously, the factory warranty was valid for the initial buyer only. If one bought a used car with only 10,000 miles on it, the factory warranty would have expired with the first owner. Now, the warranty goes with the car, not the owner.

Extended warranties are optional for consumers and can be tailored to custom fit each buyer, with coverage extended to as much as 10 years and 100,000 miles.

These extensions can also be obtained for a used car, but only at the time of purchase. With a new car, extended coverage can be added at any time while the factory warranty is still in effect.

Ellis said a warranty can be patterned to fit customers' driving habits, keeping in mind how long they plan to keep the car, how many miles they plan to drive it, along with any other personal considerations.

The variations in programs include a comprehensive plan with more extensive coverage, a high-tech plan that includes only certain expensive components, and others.

"It's the job of the dealership to find the right package that best suits a customer's needs," Ellis said.

Even though the majority of factory warranties cover the car for three years or 36,000 miles, Ellis notes "73 percent of all vehicles have mechanical breakdowns after 40,000 miles."

A personal experience made Linda Lewis, title clerk for Joplin Ford, Lincoln, Mercury, believe extended warranties are definitely important.

After purchasing a used 1995 Buick Riviera, her oil sending unit went out, and the warning light didn't indicate the problem. It ruined her engine, and the cost of a new one would have cost her thousands of dollars.

But she had purchased an extended warranty when she bought the car, and it covered the new engine.

"With the cost of repairs and labor, it pays to have an extended warranty," Lewis said. "I'm walking proof that warranties work."

Larry Cline, customer relations manager at R & S Chevrolet, said about one-third of car buyers will buy an extended warranty. He has found while some won't spend an extra penny on it, others are staunch believers in purchasing the extra coverage.

"It's a sales incentive — that's for dad-gum sure," said Al Jackson, sales representative at Tri-State Imports. "We talk it up when we're selling a car. It's a great sales tool." □

STUDENT FEATURE

Powell restores '66 Ford Mustang to cherry condition

By MATT MADURA
STAFF WRITER

Mustang lovers should be on the lookout for Mike Powell's 1967 Mustang; for the right price, it could be theirs.

Mike Powell, junior communications major, is the owner of a 1967 Ford Mustang hardtop coupe. He would part with it for \$4,000 to \$4,500, but for now is "just having fun."

The Mustang features a 289 horsepower engine, four-barrel intake, chrome dual tailpipes with chrome dual tube mufflers, and personalized chrome work.

"I restored the black interior," Powell said.

He bought the car from Crystal Ditts, a senior at Joplin High School, for \$2,600. She attended Powell's church. Ditts' father wanted her to have a newer car.

"I had a great deal," he said. "I'm young, I wanted it."

The first vehicle Powell owned was a 1974 Ford Courier. He paid \$100 and restored it little by little. He sold it for \$1,000.

"I've never had an actual new car," Powell said.

Powell, originally from Webb City where he attended high school and played football, currently resides outside of Carthage. He doesn't drive the car around, and uses his stepfather's truck to go to school and run errands.

Within a year of purchasing the Mustang, Powell paid it off.

"All the stuff I do is paid for," he said.

The engine is a rebuilt original 1967 Mustang 289.

Powell does most of the work himself, including the purchase and installation of all the chrome.

"It needs about \$1,500 more work into it," Powell said.

He plans to paint it Dodge Viper Red and put white racing stripes down the center.

"It is surprising how much the little things can add up, little things like the distributor," Powell said. "I tear into it and find small, expensive things to fix."

He obtains most of his parts from Missouri Mustang near Carterville. It specializes in 1964 to 1969 Mustang parts.

Powell believes Mustangs are the best-looking cars.

"I like Mustangs, Corvettes, and all classic cars," he said with a smile. "I really love the Mustang."

His plan for the car is to "cherry it up" and bring it out on nice, sunny days.

"I may decide to show it someday," Powell said. "I'll have a nice toy for when I'm older." □

"I may decide to show it someday. I'll have a nice toy for when I'm older."

Mike Powell

Junior

Communications

Major

Under The Hood



By Matt
Madura
Staff
Writer

Auto angel protects wild driver

By MATT MADURA
STAFF WRITER

Within my first twenty-one years of life, I have legally driven five of them. There have been some good times and some not so good times with automobiles.

Now that I'm older and wiser, I can reminisce on those years and laugh at some unfortunate instances.

The first time I had a run-in with police I was 10 years old. I was riding my four-wheeler on the street and a cop passed me going the other way. Paying no attention, I drove on not knowing the cop had turned around to come after me. The officer got out and told me next time he would write me a ticket if he saw me on the road again. I ignored him, and I still drove on the road without any more run-ins with the law — shame on me.

Six years passed, and I got my license in 1993.

My first car was a 1985 Buick Skyhawk. It was not a race car, but I drove it like one.

One evening I was speeding home from work just south of Branson West on Highway 13. I was doing 68 mph in a 55 mph zone. Cruising down the highway at 11:30 at night, I passed a police car going the opposite way. I looked in my rearview mirror. He had whipped around with his lights flashing.

I said to myself, "If I can just make it over this hill I can probably get away."

Not a chance. The officer caught up and pulled me over in a convenience store parking lot just before my road. I was scared to death as the officer came over to the car and asked for my license.

"Are you aware of how fast you were going back there?" he asked.

"No, I didn't think I was speeding at all," I said.

The officer asked me to step out of the car. I thought he was going to arrest me.

We went back to his car, and he gave me a lecture on how dangerous it is to speed. His lecture was cut short when he looked at my license and noticed something.

"Madura," the officer said a couple times to himself. "Are you Kenny's little brother?"

Kenny Madura is my older brother.

"Yes I am," I said.

Surprisingly, he said, "Tell Kenny I said hi, and slow down for me."

Encounters with the law haven't always gone so well, but I've been pulled over a total of 15 times with only two tickets.

It was a raw deal with my first ticket.

Coming home from a party at 11:30 p.m., my friend and I turned right and coasted through the stop sign at the junction of Highway 76 and Highway 13 in Reeds Spring. The only people around were the cop and us. The officer thought it was his duty to give me a \$40 ticket for not coming to a full and complete stop.

Those 15 times could easily have been 20 or 30 times. There were many close calls. It's those close ones that mean the most to me. You feel all shook up and terrified hoping the cop doesn't turn around or catch you with the radar.

It seems there has been a little angel on my shoulder for a long time, getting me out of these sticky situations. □

REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Highway commission awards bypass contract

The Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) announced Tuesday the Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission (MHTC) has awarded two construction contracts totaling \$7.6 million to Snyder Bridge Company of Joplin for construction of the first two segments of the Range Line Bypass (Route 249). Construction is scheduled to begin in January.

The first contract is for grading, paving, and the construction of bridges on the four-lane segment of the bypass from Interstate 44 to south of 20th Street. This includes the completion of the I-44 interchange which, with the completion of the second contract, will allow traffic to flow northbound to Seventh Street (Route 66).

The second contract is for grading, paving, and construction of bridges on the two-lane section of the bypass between 20th Street and Seventh Street. A temporary connection, including traffic signals, will be built at Seventh Street.

The projects are expected to be completed in late 2000.

Eventually, the Range Line Bypass will provide a high-speed through route from I-44 to U.S. Route 71 at Carterville. □

Historical society promotes Christmas ornaments

The Joplin Historical Society's 1998 Christmas ornament is now available. The commemorative site for this year is the Missouri State Capitol, which completes the series of 10 ornaments focusing on historic sites.

Cost of the ornament is \$10 and is available at the following businesses: Missouri Southern bookstore, Joplin Museum Complex, Howson's Office Plus, The Pillar Patch, Deck the Walls, Salon 1201, The Natural Shoulder, and Tick O' Time Jewelry in Joplin.

In Carthage the ornaments are available at The Lily Pad and the Second Street Gallery. For more information, persons may call the Joplin Museum Complex at 623-1180. □

Council names committee to investigate sign code

The Joplin City Council has appointed four members to a committee to study the city's sign code.

The committee will study the 1989 code and report to the zoning and planning commission on portable signs and the entire code.

The council also discussed how to fill vacancies on boards and commissions and the resolution of an annexation dispute with Duquesne. □

CBCO looks to replenish dwindling blood supply

The Community Blood Center of the Ozarks (CBCO) will hold a bloodmobile from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday at St. John's Regional Medical Center.

The CBCO provides blood and blood products to 28 hospitals in the region including St. John's and Freeman Health Systems.

Increased use of blood by area hospitals and a nationwide shortage of many blood types lingers creating an urgent need for many blood types. □

R-8, architect discuss air conditioning cost

The Joplin R-8 School Board received a report Wednesday from architect Kyle Denham. He updated the estimated cost of installing air-conditioning in all Joplin schools.

The special session was held Wednesday at the Roi Wood Administration Center.

Denham's October estimate was \$7.7 million in the 14 schools without cooling. □

The Chart CITY NEWS

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Friday, November 20, 1998

Program molds community leaders

By ELIZABETH SCHURMAN
STAFF WRITER

Developing leadership skills and learning more about the city are just a few things Leadership Joplin members participate in.

The Leadership Joplin program, sponsored by the Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce, provides an opportunity for people in the business community to learn more about what Joplin's strong points are and its needs.

The program also looks at developing future leaders for the area.

Approximately 30 people participate in the program every year. Prospective participants must be employed by a Chamber member and submit an application. The Chamber is accepting applications through Dec. 4. There are more than 1,000 members in the Chamber, including Missouri Southern.

"Many of the graduates of the Leadership

Joplin program go on to serve on our board of directors," said Tracey Osborne, vice president of the Chamber.

Leadership Joplin is also for people who recently moved to the Joplin community and would like to learn more about the area.

"The purpose of the program is to develop leaders in different areas of the community," said Kelly Chenoweth, co-chair of Leadership Joplin.

Leadership Joplin can be called an adult version of Tomorrow's Leaders Today, the Chamber's program for area high school seniors.

Some Leadership Joplin graduates have decided the area needed a few improvements and took the initiative to do something about it.

"One group decided that there was a need for a program like the Big Brothers/Big Sisters in the Joplin area," Osborne said. "So, they created one."

Leadership Joplin consists of seven ses-

sions examining city government, economic development, quality of life, recreation opportunities, industry, education, medicine, and social services.

Participants attend three times a month, January through March. Session times are from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Chamber office and other locations throughout the city. For example, medical sessions are held at St. John's Regional Medical Center and Freeman Health System's facilities. The sessions are designed to be interactive and involve members in the subjects discussed.

The participants of the program also take a half-day tour of Joplin.

"People that have lived in Joplin all of their lives go through the Leadership Joplin program and still learn something about Joplin that they didn't know before," Chenoweth said.

At the completion of the program, the group travels to Jefferson City to visit with the state legislature for a full day. □

“

People that have lived in Joplin all of their lives go through the Leadership Joplin program and still learn something about Joplin that they didn't know before.

Kelly Chenoweth
Leadership Joplin

”

MAIN STREET JOPLIN

Development increases traffic flow

By CASSIE HOMBS
STAFF WRITER

North Main Street may soon become another Range Line Road to residents of the Joplin area.

North Main, typically known as a street without a reputation for traffic jams, is starting to look good to builders and businesses.

"That part of town is becoming more attractive to business owners," said Brian Marlow, director of Main Street Joplin, Inc. "It will continue to be a successful business venture out there."

One of the interested builders is Andy Eads, who is constructing a 12,000-square-foot building just south of Zora Avenue.

This building, which he plans to name the Heartland Building, will hold about six offices to be leased to other businesses. Eads plans to move his own business, Heartland Construction Company, there in a few months.

In an interview with *The Joplin Globe*, Eads said, "Everything is moving north.... It's time."

Other builders agree. On the same stretch of highway, a 4,000-square-foot building is also in the making.

The Dewalt Prayer Center, named after Don Dewalt, a former Ozark Christian College instructor who died in 1991, is expected to begin construction in March.

The Prayer Center, an idea put together by 14 area churches and organizations such as Ozark Christian College, the American Rehabilitation Center, and Christ in Youth, will be open to the public.

"Hopefully, we'll have a ground-breaking ceremony in spring," said Richard Wright, business director of Good News Productions. "Its function will be that it is a place of prayer. It will be used for other things than just a place to have regular Sunday worship services."

Along with the Center, there is also a heart-shaped trail leading through the woods behind the site of the proposed building. This "prayer walk" will have rest stops scattered along the quarter-mile trail.

These stations will have prayer needs written on plaques where one can stop and pray for specific things.

This area north of downtown Joplin is also expected to grow residentially.

"Carl Junction is becoming more attractive to home owners," Marlow said. "People are wanting to take a different route other than Range Line, and there is a big convenience factor with North Main." □

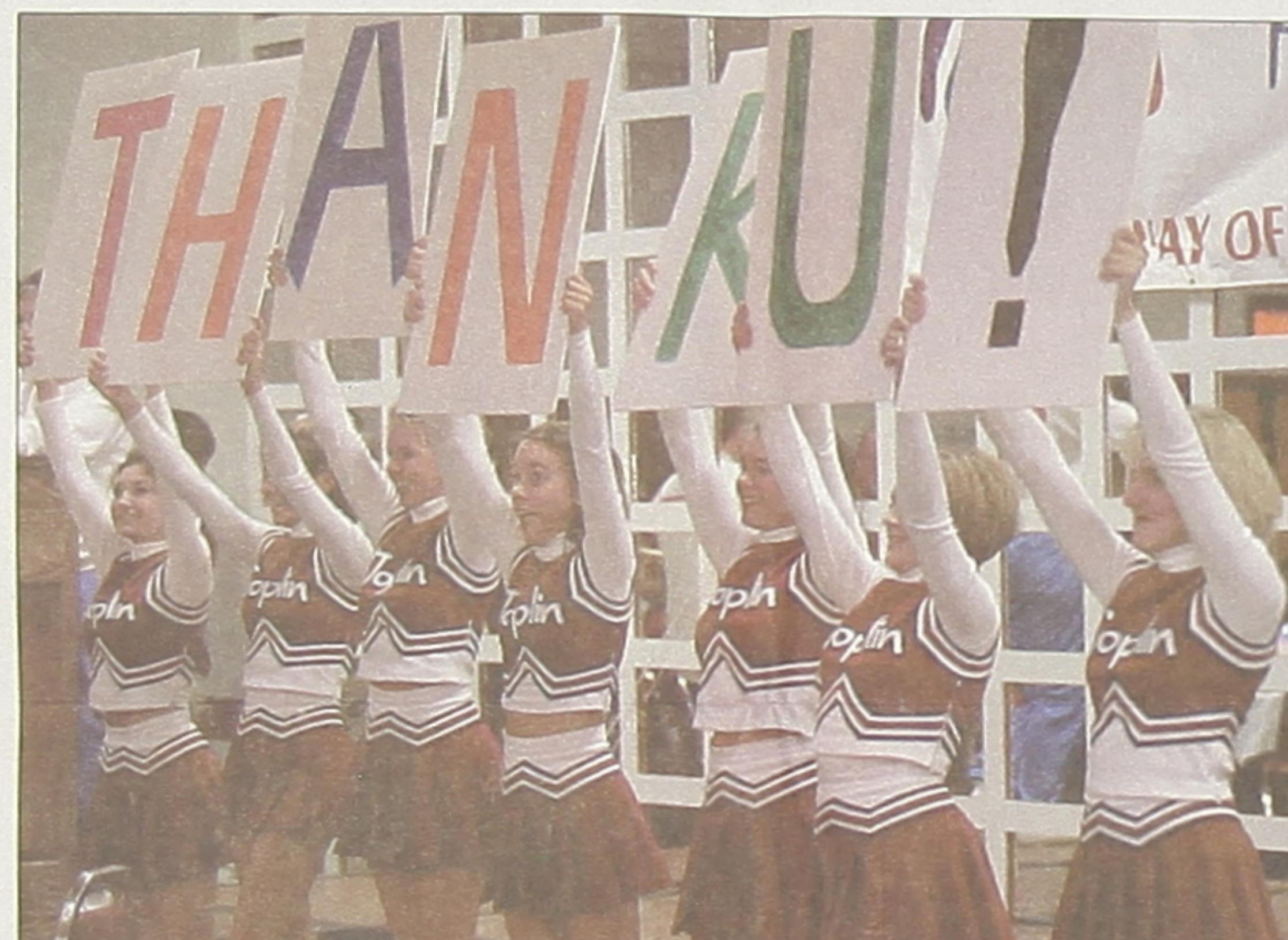
“

That part of town is becoming more attractive to business owners.

Brian Marlow
Main Street Joplin

”

WILL CHEER FOR CHARITY



The Joplin High School cheerleaders help the United Way celebrate raising \$746,851 in this year's active fund-raising season. The United Way held a breakfast celebration Wednesday morning at the Holiday Inn. The funds raised will support 54 health and human service programs in the Joplin area.

JOPLIN POLICE DEPARTMENT

Academy teaches police essentials

Chief revives idea popular in other cities

By JO BETH HARRIS
STAFF WRITER

The Joplin Police Department (JPD) has found a way to let the community understand different aspects of a police officer's job — send them to school.

The Citizen's Academy, though not actually a school, teaches the basics of police academy.

Those who wish to attend must fill out an application, have a background check, and sign an academy participant release form.

The JPD had offered this academy once before under Chief Michael Wightman but not again until this fall. Chief Edward Dennis revived the idea because of his involvement with a similar program in his former town of Glendale Heights, Ill.

Sgt. Ken Kennedy, JPD watch commander, put together the class schedule and instructors and invited several people involved in the community to participate.

The first class was held at JPD, complete with a tour of the department, jail, and communications center. The remaining 10 of the 11 classes have been held at Southern's Anderson Justice Center for three hours each Tuesday.

"We teach some of the highlights of what most police officers go through in their academy," Kennedy said.

Among these highlights are learning some techniques in hand-to-hand combat, learning how to handle a handgun, and having a chance to be in a "shootout."

According to Gretchen Bolander, reporter for KODE-TV, students were to try to clear a building with real guns. Instead of real bullets, wax bullets were used. These wax bullets have the same concept of paint balls. When a person is struck, the bullet explodes and leaves a red mark on the clothing or skin. Though the bullet does not do any serious damage, the impact hurts a bit and may cause a bruise.

"My favorite thing was firing a submachine gun," Bolander said. "We had to clear a building. It was dark, so we had to use flashlights. Out of the four of us, three got killed."

When Bolander received the invitation to attend the academy, she accepted because she could combine it with her job. She is doing a series on the academy for KODE.

According to Kennedy, other towns in the area are planning to start citizen's academies in the near future.

Several Missouri cities including Jefferson City and Columbia have similar programs.

The program involves people more in police activities. Citizens who go through the academy are more likely to call in when they see a crime in progress.

"I like it when people carry cellular phones, call in a drunk driver, and follow them until we get there," Kennedy said.

Though this session is coming to a close, Kennedy said another session is planned for the spring. Participants must be at least 21 years of age and live or work in Joplin.

"I absolutely encourage people to do this," Bolander said. "People's image of how police officers do their job is through the media, and that's not the case. This gives them a better perspective on the police officer's job." □

The next issue of The Chart will be December 11, 1998.
The ad deadline is 5 p.m. today.
Letters must be submitted Monday, December 7.

Friday, November 20, 1998

WWF: Wrestling star, Mankind, serves up autographs for local fans during a promotion at Joplin area business

From Page 1

determined by way of tournament. Each wrestler had to win within 10 minutes in the first round, and by pinfall or submission thereafter.

Wade and Bohannon, who took four in their group, said they got their \$20 tickets a month in advance.

"The event sold out three weeks in advance," Wade said. "The WWF did not announce the event until a week before the tickets sold out."

The foursome began their weekend of action in Joplin on Saturday morning at the Book Barn where championship contender Mankind signed autographs. Mick Foley, who currently goes by the name of Mankind, has also been known as Cactus Jack and Dude Love.

The WWF hardcore champion said he tries to keep a good attitude despite the violence on weekly shows.

"I wouldn't say that wrestlers are role models from our show," Mankind said. "We owe it to ourselves not to act like idiots to these people. When these people tell me they met me 10 years down the line, I want them to be able to say I was nice to them. If I wasn't, I know I did something wrong along the way."

Wade and Bohannon had only good things to say about the 53-year-old Foley.

"Mankind is a down-to-earth normal guy," Wade said. "And he let me hold the Hardcore Championship Belt."

"Nobody in the history of wrestling has put themselves on

the line as much as Mick Foley," Bohannon said.

His style is marked by determination and an imbecile disposition.

"Mankind, as far as I know, has never submitted," Wade said.

He believes Foley will capture the championship as Mankind.

"He has his championship stint coming up," Wade said.

Once they got Mankind's autograph, they hopped ship to Town and Country, a suburb of St. Louis, where they attempted to catch a glimpse of The Rock. The soon-to-be WWF champion did not show up, but they were able to meet Shamrock.

"Not only is he a good wrestler, he is a good fighter," Wade said.

Shamrock has a background in martial arts and reality-based fighting. He hinted to Wade of a possi-

ble return to the sports in a match with his brother, Frank.

In the pay-per-view event, which lasted three hours, two new champions were crowned. The Rock captured the WWF championship and Sable won the women's championship from Jacqueline. Wade said these were not the most entertaining matches of the event. Mankind's matches with Stone Cold Steve Austin and The Rock were best in their book.

"The Spanish commentators' table was broke in The Rock v. Mankind match," Bohannon said.

"You notice the American table never gets smashed," Wade added.

Bohannon endorsed the corporate champion, The Rock.

In his opinion, no other wrestler combines the same caliber mic ability with quality wrestling.

"That and the corporate eyebrow is cool," he said.

The Rock promotes himself with a combination of attitude and ego.

"He is the Rick Flair of the 90s," Bohannon said.

Naturally, the foursome were not the only ones having fun. Wade said attitudes became heated between several drunken men.

"We had fights break out around us," Bohannon said. "There were a lot of stereotypical wrestling fans in the arena."

They said an ongoing feud developed in the crowd around them over which wrestler had a better accessory, Al Snow's mannequin head or Mankind's Sock-o.

Although many tab diehard wrestling fans as crazy people who think wrestling is real, Bohannon said they watch wrestling strictly

for entertainment purposes.

"We already know it's fake," Bohannon said. "It's like theatre, good versus evil, good guys versus bad guys. It's a soap opera with more plot twists."

"We look at it for not only its entertainment value, but its athletic value," Wade agreed.

After reflecting on the events that transpired at the Survivor Series, they decided it was the second biggest event of the year next to Wrestlemania.

"This was probably one of the more history-making pay-per-views in the 90s," Bohannon said.

Wade said nothing as exciting is likely to happen the rest of the year.

"At WCW Starcade, Goldberg will lose his title and that's about it," he said.

KLEINDL: Swedish trip has many offerings for students

From Page 1

Kleindl remembers his own trips abroad as being beneficial to his cultural understanding. He was an exchange student in 1972, when he first went to Sweden.

"It was my first international experience, and it was difficult to understand the culture," Kleindl said. "Traveling abroad definitely helps business majors to be competitive in the international market."

Jim Gray, dean of the school of

business, said the cost will be around \$3,000. Student travel grants are available to reduce a portion of the cost, which includes round-trip tickets, hotels, meals, housing in Mullsjö, all land travel, and museum fees. The amount does not include course fees or spending money.

"This trip to Sweden is different from other trips in the past because students will be spending four weeks there as opposed to two weeks," Gray said.

Stacy Schmidt, junior interna-

tional business major, is looking forward to the business opportunities offered.

"This will be a great experience because I've never been abroad," she said. "This will help me see the marketing perspective of different countries as well as the American perspective."

Students interested in going to Sweden may obtain interest sheets from Terry Marion, director of Southern's International Trade and Quality Center, or Kleindl.

OPPOSITION: Elliot announces retirement plans

From Page 1

activity going on at another of our institutions would not have an impact on Central Missouri.

Conversely, I suggest to you that it probably will."

Elliott said he believed legislation would be advanced regardless of Southern's compliance with Coordinating Board for Higher Education (CBHE) guidelines for status/name change.

Southern President Julio Leon said the College is in compliance with the guidelines and will petition the CBHE for approval at its Dec. 9 meeting in Jefferson City.

"We have responded to those questions," Leon said. "If we are turned down, it will not be for that reason."

Central, located in Warrensburg, was founded in 1870 and has an enrollment of 11,700. It's roughly 160 miles northeast of Joplin. Elliott suggested the university would mobilize opposition to any pending legislation.

"I'm mentioning this to you, not to whine or complain, but to say to you that at this point and time, ladies and gentlemen, I don't know what Central Missouri's options are."

Elliott, 60, announced his retirement in October. He has been at the Central helm for 13 years. His

retirement will be effective next summer.

"I think he has brought Central Missouri State to a position of leadership in the state," Leon said.

Central has seen increased fund raising, higher enrollment, and new construction during Elliott's administration.

"I believe he has done an excellent job of moving the university forward," Leon said. "It is in excellent standing."

Leon, Southern's president since 1982, will not be following Elliott's lead. He said he has no plans for retirement.

"In my personal opinion, retirement is bad for you," Leon said.

Advertise in The Chart

Call John Smaha or Rob Woodall, 625-9789

Oxford Park Apartments

782-9445

\$360-\$390

2 Bed, 2 Bath Apartments

Central Heat & Air

Pool

Laundry Facilities

Behind Food-4-Less

Ask for Karen Colson

From Page 5

ance of Dr. Leon, a very capable faculty, both past and present, the staff, the students, and area support which has made it possible to complete his dream," she said.

Dr. Conrad Gubera, professor of sociology, believes Billingsly was perhaps the most important driving force for Southern into its present state.

"I have no doubt that as far as Leon Billingsly is concerned, he was head and shoulders above everyone else as far as this campus' creation," he said.

Gubera, who came to Southern in 1967, said Billingsly did a tremendous amount of work to

move Southern up in the ranks.

Martin, who came to Southern in 1965, said Billingsly's relationship with the Board of Trustees moved Southern in the right direction. The Trustees consisted of Mills Anderson, Fred Hughes, Thomas Taylor, Lauren Reynolds, Norval Matthews, Gene Taylor, and Elvin Ummel.

Gubera said it appears to have been Billingsly's attitude and vision that gave him the ability to cultivate Southern.

"He would always say he was no great wizard in school, no great academic, but he had a vision, a dream, a personality, he had a stamina, and by God, he was good," Gubera said. "He was at the right

time because he was good at implementing the rules. He had that spontaneity, he had that spark.

Sue Billingsly said even though she did receive many offers from other schools in those years, he never wanted to leave Southern.

"He felt that if he could help students in this community, he could be more of a help than he could at a larger university," she said. "He saw a great need here for higher education."

Leon said Billingsly left a strong tradition for Southern to follow.

"His legacy is a great one, and Missouri Southern wouldn't be where it is today without him," he said.

Missouri Constitution Test

For students who need to take the test on the Missouri Constitution, please observe the following schedule:

TEST

Tuesday, December 1, 1998 — 12:20 p.m. - WH 210
All out-of-state students who plan to graduate in Dec. 1998, May 1999; or July 1999 who have not taken U.S. Gov't. or State and Local Gov't. in a Missouri college should see Pat Martin, Room H-318.

Please Note: Students taking this test must pay a \$5 fee to the Business Office H-210 prior to taking the test and present your receipt to the instructor when you go to the test room.

A Christmas Gift Idea

-- Voice Mail --

Stay in touch
with friends and family.

No Phone? . . . No Problem!

No Contracts . . . No Hassle!

Only \$6.25 / mo

Answer Link

649-0200

Ask about our 800 Packages
and our Pager Packages.



By Andre L.
Smith
Sports
Editor

Bad history repeats itself in Kirksville

Pittsburg State may not be such a bad place after all. Losing at Truman State has become a norm for Missouri Southern's football team that it seems that we're not putting on the green and gold face paint for the right game.

Don't get this wrong. Every team has a rival, and just hearing "Pittsburg State Gorillas" will make any normal Joplin native cringe.

Last year's 40-32 victory at Hughes Stadium was one of the best games in a long time around these parts, and fans remained on the edge of their seats for Saturday's 25-21 loss at Kirksville.

The Bulldogs have not beaten Southern in Joplin since 1991 when they won 43-42 under the name Northeast Missouri State. The Lions have lost only twice in six games at home against the Bulldogs, but have not been able to beat them in five tries at Stokes Stadium.

Is Truman State really that hard a place to win in? Southern head coach Greg Gregory knew the football teams in the past have not had any luck there.

The Lions suffered a 25-3 loss in 1990, a 52-6 beating in 1992, and a 37-21 defeat in 1994.

The change to Truman State in 1996 did not change Southern's success in Kirksville. The Lions were handed a 38-28 defeat that year, and this year's loss brought the total to five losses and no wins.

If history repeats itself (and it usually does), the Lions should keep their home winning streak against the Bulldogs going. They have won the last three meetings in Joplin.

Mistakes were the only thing that kept the Lions from snapping their bad luck streak this year.

Gregory said the reason for the mistakes was plain and simple. The Lions were just not a good enough team yet to overcome all the miscues.

"We should've put more points on the board," Gregory said. "If we can fill the holes on the defensive side, we can come back and be a good football team."

Freshmen Seth McKinzie, Antonio Whitney, and Joey Ballard are all back next season. They will bring much playing experience to a Southern rushing offense that ended the season second to Brian Shay and Emporia State.

The Lions totaled 2,521 yards and 23 touchdowns, 12 of which were scored by Ballard. Whitney had Southern's longest run of the season, an 80-yard touchdown gallop against Northwest Missouri State.

On the defensive end, Gregory and his staff will have to buy lots of dinners and sign several top-caliber junior college players. He is ready to search every nook and cranny of the United States to find backers to fill the holes that Kqorea Willis and Marque Owens leave. They will also have to find linemen and secondary players.

Gregory said 31 plays accounted for more than 1,295 yards of opponents' offense, which stifled Southern's success.

"We let too many balls get behind our secondary and get outside of our contain," he said.

If and when the Lions fix these problems, they will have one full season to prepare for another showdown at Truman State. Until then, they will have to defend the honor of a positive win-loss record at Hughes Stadium one more time. □

FOOTBALL

Lions conclude season with 25-21 loss

By ANDRE L. SMITH
SPORTS EDITOR

A potential game-winning drive late in the fourth quarter was halted by a Missouri Southern fumble on the Truman State University 1-yard line to give the Bulldogs a 25-21 win over the Lions in Kirksville Saturday.

Southern trailed 23-21 at the point of the turnover. Truman's Leo Smith later tackled quarterback Seth McKinzie in the end zone to seal the win.

The Lions opened the scoring with 4:48 left in the first quarter on a five-yard run by freshman Joey Ballard. TSU answered early in the second quarter on a one-yard run. The drive took nine plays and covered 81 yards. A one-yard run by Ballard capped a 13-play, 60-yard drive on the ensuing possession to give the Lions a 14-7 lead.

Just before the half, Eric Howe completed a 25-yard touchdown pass to Randall Mercer, which deadlocked the game at 14.

In the third quarter, McKinzie scored on a four-yard run, but TSU put 11 unanswered

points on the board to get its sixth win of the season. The loss dropped the Lions to 3-7, their worst record since 1988.

"We moved the ball fairly well and we were able to pound the football," said Southern coach Greg Gregory. "We've just got to convert and put it in the end zone. They were able to throw the ball and get out of some real jams and convert."

The Lions will say goodbye to 16 seniors this year. Southern loses two-year starting linebacker Kqorea Willis, four-year starting linebacker Marque Owens, and four senior

defensive linemen and once defensive back.

Gregory said he and his staff are on the lookout for defensive help during the off-season. Mississippi, Oklahoma, Texas, and Kansas will be some of the states Gregory will target for junior college players.

"We need immediate impact," he said. "I think we really have the chance to be a really good football team. We're really going to focus on junior colleges because those kids are a little more mature and ready to play. We'll go wherever we need to go to find the players we want." □

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Lions edge Redmen, blast Ambassadors

By ANDRE L. SMITH
SPORTS EDITOR

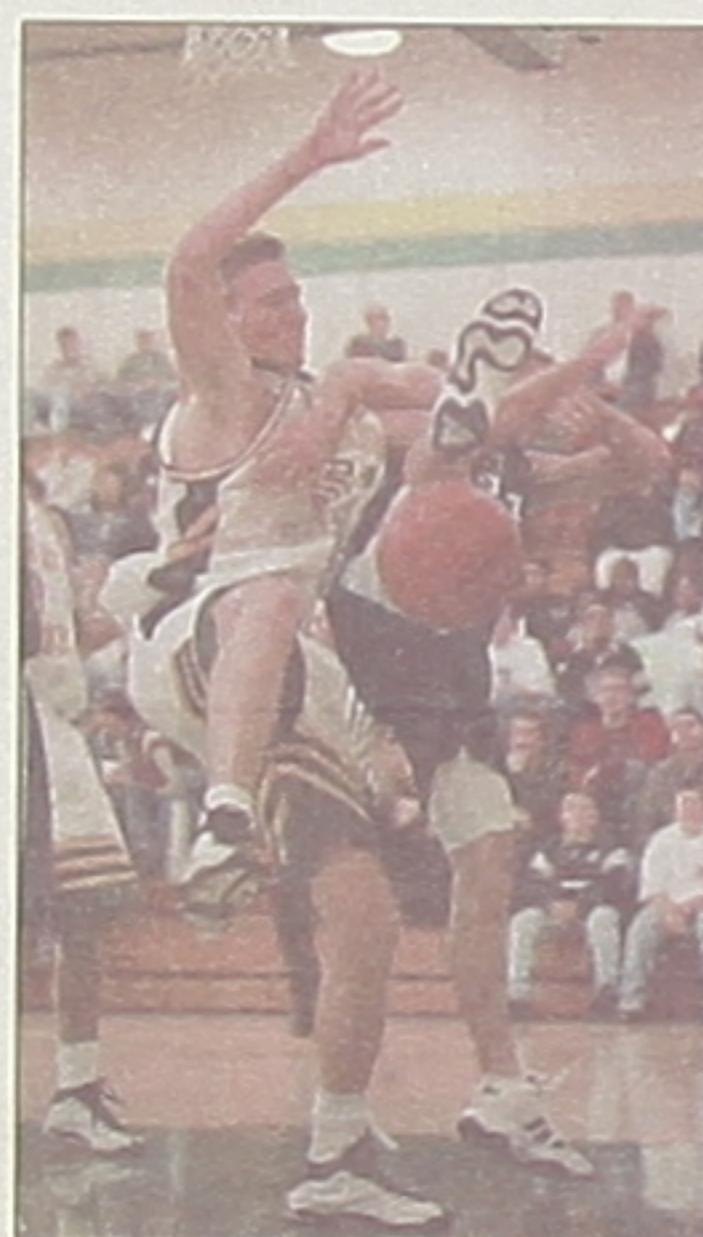
Carlos Newberry came off the bench to score 19 points as Missouri Southern's basketball team beat the Redmen of Northeastern State University 70-64 Monday night at Robert Ellis Young Gymnasium.

Newberry, who is back 100 percent after a wrist injury that limited his performance last season, went eight of 10 from the field and three for three from the charity stripe.

"We were able to get him the ball in scoring areas," said Robert Corn, Southern's head coach. "He was just able to knock them down."

"We started Carlos in the second half because we wanted to go bigger," Corn said. "We were just not rebounding, and it still remains a concern."

Southern was out-rebounded 41-26 for the game, but the play of their



NOPPADOL PAOTHONG/The Chart
Senior Matt Olson gets tangled with an OCC defender.

boards.

Thirteen hundred people witnessed a first-half explosion by Southern Saturday night as the Lions blasted Ozark Christian College 101-39. Southern opened the game with a 23-0 scoring run and never looked back.

The Lions took a comfortable 49-15 lead to the locker room at halftime.

Shots fell almost at will for

boards.

"I felt like we played all right," Corn said. "Our team played very unselfish and smart. Our bench play gave us a positive lift."

Matt Olson poured in 17 points and grabbed eight boards in the victory. Keyes ended with 21 points and eight

first-half explosion with 11 points, and redshirt freshman Larry Gause added eight. Taylor ended the game with 13 points and six rebounds in 24 minutes, and Corn said he was pleased with Taylor's leadership.

"He's the guy out there that is directing things and leading the team," he said. "I'm really proud of the approach he has taken toward this season."

Gause finished the game with 15 points and five steals. Eighteen-year-old redshirt freshman Eddin "Guaya" Santiago showed his ball-handling skills by dishing 12 assists.

Perhaps the most surprising and pleasing aspect of Saturday's win was the play of Southern's bench.

With the loss of 6-10 center Osiris Ricardo to a season-ending injury, Corn looked to Jeremy Uhlmann and Terry Shumpert to handle some of the load.

They stepped up Saturday night. Shumpert converted seven of nine field goals for 14 points,

and Uhlmann went six for six including a thunderous dunk. He also pulled down seven rebounds. The Lions only out-rebounded OCC 36-32, which Corn said was a concern.

"I knew that with the loss of Osiris that we may not have that rebounding presence," Corn said.

Olson said it was motivating to see younger players perform well.

"Jeremy stepping up was huge for us," he said. "Guard play was important for us also, and they did a great job."

The Lions will participate in Pittsburg State University's tournament this weekend. They face Central Arkansas at 6 p.m. today and will battle William Jewell on Saturday.

Southern will host the Freeman Sports Medicine/Chris Tucker Memorial Classic Nov. 27-28.

The Lions entertain Southwestern Oklahoma State on Nov. 27 and Central Oklahoma on Nov. 28. Both games are scheduled for 8 p.m. starts. □

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Lady Lions beat OCC in opener

Freshman Jayme Callahan, Lady Lions shatter record in 96-48 victory at home

By ANDRE L. SMITH
SPORTS EDITOR

Missouri Southern's basketball team opened its regular season Saturday with a 96-48 win over Ozark Christian College.

The Lady Lions jumped out to a 55-22 halftime lead behind a strong showing from sophomore forward Sara Jones and junior forward Lyndsey Kenealy. Shooting woes plagued the Lady Lions at the beginning of the game, but patience and a strong defensive effort from Jayme Callahan, Chara Oldfield, and Mandy Olson kept the Lady Ambassadors' scoring low.

"It's one thing to have jitters, but at some points I thought we got a little down," said Amy Townsend, Southern head coach. "We have to remember that we not only have returners, but new faces, too."

In the second half, the Lady Lions took care of their 33-point halftime lead and finished the Lady Ambassadors off by outscoring them 41-

26. Every Lady Lion worked her way into the scoring column in the win. Jones led all scorers with 19 points, and Kenealy scored 14 points off the bench.

"Lyndsey is probably the best sixth man in the league," Townsend said. "She's a little deceiving. People think she doesn't have good speed, but she does and she's very versatile."

In her first collegiate regular season game, Callahan tied Southern's record with eight steals. Southern's 28 steals were enough to clip the previous team record of 27, which happened Jan. 3, 1994, against Ripon College in the Great Bahamas Goombay Shootout.

The Lady Lions shot 45 percent from the field for the game, while OCC shot 24 percent. They out-rebounded the Lady Ambassadors 54-39. Olson said it took the team a while to get accustomed to playing a different team.

"We're used to fouling each other in practice so much that we went out throwing the ball up too high and too hard," she said. "We forgot that they weren't very deep in the bench so they weren't going to foul."

The Lady Lions are back in action today when they face Wayne State at 5:30 p.m. in the Central Missouri Classic. They play Iowa Wesleyan in game two of the tournament on Saturday at 3:30 p.m.



NOPPADOL PAOTHONG/The Chart
Stacy Wyatt fights for the ball in Saturday's season opener at Young Gymnasium.

Southern then travels to Kansas City to play Rockhurst at 7 p.m. Tuesday. The Lady Lions host the Missouri Southern Radio Shack Classic Nov. 27-28, meeting West Georgia and Henderson State. □

ALL-CONFERENCE

Southern athletes honored

By ANDRE L. SMITH
SPORTS EDITOR

For the third time, Adam Bahr has earned first-team all-conference soccer honors. The choice was unanimous for the second time.

The senior from Florissant was second on the team in scoring with 11 points.

Sophomore Kiley Cirillo was also selected to the first team as a midfielder. Senior Bryon Brust, freshman Aubrey Martin, and junior Tony Zito were second-team selections.

The football Lions placed six athletes on the all-conference list. Kqorea Willis was a second-team selection in his senior season as a linebacker. Willis led the Lions in tackles with 76 and also had 5.5 sacks. Senior defensive lineman Marlon Douglas earned honorable mention. He tied Willis as the team's sack leader.

Senior Tyson Sims also earned honorable mention honors along with freshmen running backs Antonio Whitney and Joey Ballard.

Ballard, who gained 1,276 all-purpose yards in his first season, shared freshman of the year honors with Missouri Western's Kasey Waterman and Central Missouri's Kevin Nickerson.

"We didn't have many running backs when I got in here," said Greg Gregory, Southern head coach. "We had to go out and get some, and we got two good ones."

Junior guard Mike Tosaw earned honorable mention honors for his efforts and volleyball team member Meredith Hyde was an honorable mention selection. □

VOLLEYBALL

Southern ends season with losses

By ANDRE L. SMITH
SPORTS EDITOR

Last weekend the Missouri Southern volleyball team lost to Missouri Western and Northwest Missouri State on the road. The losses put the Lady Lions final record at 7-20 overall, 5-11 MIAA.

Friday night, the Lady Lions lost at Maryville 15-11, 15-5, 16-14. Meredith Hyde had 10 kills in the loss and Heather Olson added 15 digs. Saturday night they finished the 1998 campaign at St. Joseph with a 15-7, 15-8, 15-7 loss.

"This was the first weekend we struggled to bounce back," Lady Lions coach Debbie Traywick said. "I'm proud of the way they kept practicing hard and sticking together considering their injuries and adversity. Now it's time to hit the recruiting trail."

Hyde led the Lady Lions on the season in kills with 285 and in digs with 296. Erin Fielding was second with 236 and 274 digs. Katie Moore was third on the team in kills with 227 and Brianna Abel led in blocks with 76. □